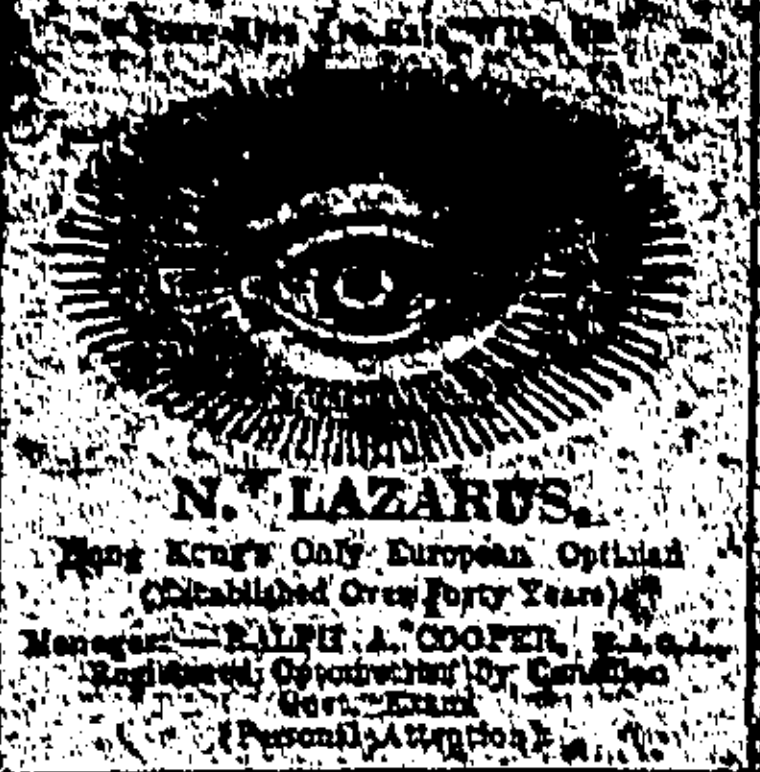


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GOOD ROADS BORN OF MILITARY FANCY.

[FROM RODNEY GILBERT.]

PEKING, March 10th.

The Metropolitan area has been blessed with nearly two years of peace and with very fair crops and the visible results are astonishing to one who ventures into the country over any of the numerous motor roads. Villages everywhere appear to have been rebuilt. At any rate, roofs have been repaired or renewed and there has been lavish use of plaster and white-wash, while rubbish and unsightly ruins have been cleared away, so that everything looks fresh and new, including the wayside temples, in which even the priests seem to have washed their faces.

An astonishing proportion of the rustic population travels by bicycle or ricksha over roads that were impassable to anything but the massive mule-cart a few years ago, and everywhere one goes, thinking he is going on a motor adventure, he encounters motor-bus caravans packed to something more than capacity with self-satisfied farmers and their families. The conveyances look home-made and the local enterprise, but they must do their work. Officialdom overlooks no chance to collect tolls or to tax the receipts of the bus companies, so charges must be high, but they are nevertheless cultivating a taste for motor locomotion in a class that used to bargain vociferously for a lift in a cart costing a few coppers.

Security And Prosperity.

These signs of security and prosperity which no argument can rebut. It is proof that, however high the taxes may be, they are not yet unbearable for, if these rural communities were ruthlessly looted, the genuinely poor would look their part, while those who had money would hide it under a studied shabbiness. One of the contributing features to the present happy state is, of course, the absence of very large bodies of poorly-disciplined troops. The armed rabble happens to have been employed elsewhere these few years, at the cost of other districts, and civilians are collecting the much-advertised taxes, which always means in China that an opportunity is given for bargaining and compromise with the tax-collector.

The construction of military roads in all directions has, of course, invited the growth of commercialized motor traffic, but it is just as certain that this latter development has also had a highly beneficial effect upon the condition of the roads. The comparatively wealthy private car owner pays the comparatively low tolls on an atrociously bad road and grows about it, but does not find it worth while combining with others to enter a formal complaint. These little bus companies, however, cannot afford to pay high tolls and taxes on their income for the privilege of having their make-shift conveyances shaken to pieces in the first two or three trips and, since they now appear to be the most important patrons of the new government highways, they are in a position to insist upon a little service in exchange for taxes.

Roads Better Than Railways.

The results are very evident on the Peking-Tientsin highway, the upkeep of which used to depend almost entirely on the weather. A few days ago, the writer ran over it in a car that was not in perfect

condition, against a stiff northwest wind, and at what seemed a leisurely pace. It was evident, however, that in point of cost and time-saving, the motor car now has an advantage over the railway on this run. The writer came from Tientsin to Peking, threaded about seven miles of city traffic, and reached his own home, a few miles west of the city—a distance of about 100 miles—in 3½ hours. This run, the heavy five-passenger car (with caribretter badly adjusted) did on four gallons of gasoline and the toll amounted to 84.

Golf And A Concubine.

One thing that our road builders have learned locally, after fifteen years' experience, is that North China neither wants nor can afford macadam motor highways. Motor traffic, plus the scouring winds, will ruin the surface of expensive macadam road in a very short time and convert it into a cobbler track over which it is torture to ride at anything but a snail's pace. Officialdom simply will not pay for proper upkeep, because there is no profit in it, so macadam roads in the Peking area are never repaired, until, by chance, some very high military finds reason to run over a particular road frequently and, finally, in his exasperation, invites the responsible civil authorities to mend the road or quit.

The famous loop road to the Western Hills was originally built by a Cabinet Minister who had to install a concubine in a hill cottage, because his wife would not tolerate her within the city limits; and the road was never properly done over until a modernized military took to playing golf in the hills and found the ride to and fro a daily strain on his good temper.

Whole Atmosphere Changed.

Since he has been here, Chang Tao Lin has made no overt attempt to cultivate the foreigner. If he had, the people would be smirking at us ingratiatingly. He has shown a determination, however, not to be unfriendly, no matter how he considered himself injured by the lack of foreign support, and to be correctly polite in all circumstances; and this is a commendable attitude which the people everywhere show in their manner. They are simply good-tempered and polite unless one shows an inclination to be overtly friendly, when they promptly show inclination to respond. Persons who did not have reason to travel about the countryside two years ago can have no idea what a tremendous change in the whole atmosphere of Peking this implies.

The Peking attitude is, moreover, one that seems to be spreading to travellers from all quarters; and everywhere for the same reason. There is a general conviction abroad that, even while anti-foreignism did not bring upon the country the disastrous reprisals that might have been expected, it netted many losses and no gains. It promised to yield China a great accession of "face." The gains in this respect were nil, while the revelations of the fashion in which the one perfect race under heaven had been led around by Moscow's agents by the nose and made to go through antics that disgusted all humanity have entailed a loss of face which can only be redeemed by the blood of the unhappy Communists, the scape-goats of the whole foolish exultation.—North China Daily News.

"BIG SWORD" MENACE IN MANCHURIA.

POPULAR BELIEF IN THEIR SUPERNATURAL POWERS.

MUKDEN, March 18th.

The "Big Swords" are hardly suppressed and several nights ago some 20 inmates of a gaol in Meng-kang Prefecture broke through the gates and made themselves scarce. Most of these were "Big Swords" captured in a recent encounter. Later, reinforced by other members of the fraternity, they raided the Prefecture Office and then the Prefect's residence, and butchered him. The raiders next surprised the police station and seized all available arms. The persecution is getting more and more widespread in the countryside, that the "Big Swords" are protected by supernatural forces, and no one is paying any attention to the threats of the authorities. As a matter of fact, in certain districts the latter have entreated the insurgents to lay down their arms, under promise of immunity from prosecution, but so far only a very few have returned to a peaceful life, the majority appearing to prefer to have it out to the last.

Brigandage is rampant everywhere. Formerly one heard very little of bandit activities in North Manchuria, but now days, one hears of nothing else. In southern (Continued at foot of next column.)

BANANA GROWING IN MANCHURIA.

JAPANESE EXPERIMENTS.

MUKDEN, March 18th.

Such fruits as bananas and pine-apples have so far come from Formosa or South China, but recently the Japanese in South Manchuria have been experimenting in banana-growing, and the first clusters of this fruit raised in Manchuria are now seen at Port Arthur, in the Koyaku Garden. A banana tree of Formosan origin blossomed towards the end of last year in the conservatory where it had been carefully tended, together with other tropical plants. Now it bears about 200 bananas on one stem, each of a length of 6 to 8 inches. Compared with bananas raised in Formosa, these Manchurian grown specimens are said to be very favourably received. It is probable that experiments along other lines will soon follow.—North China Daily News.

districts, too, the bandits are making it bad for the people and reports have it that in the country round about Shanhai-kwan a brigand chieftain with 800 followers has been causing no end of trouble. In Chihai, Prefecture, the brigands are camped in all parts and make animals at night.—N. C. Daily News.

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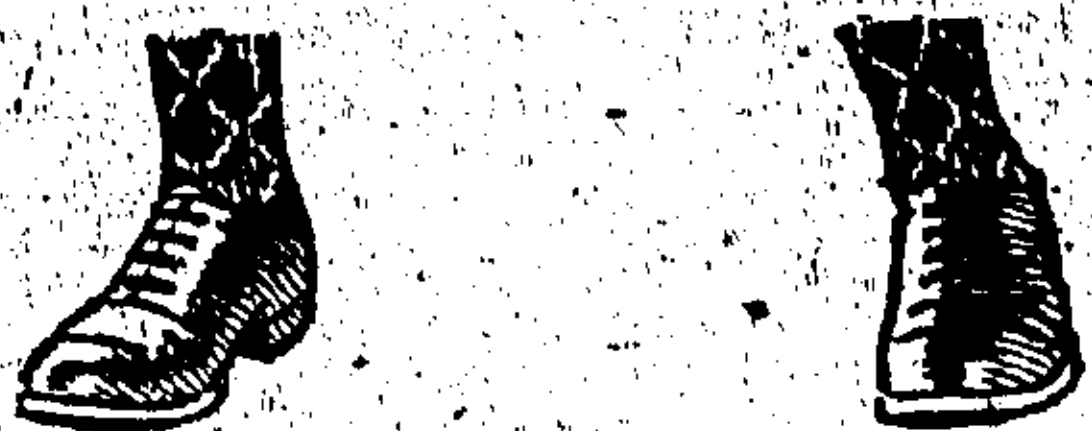
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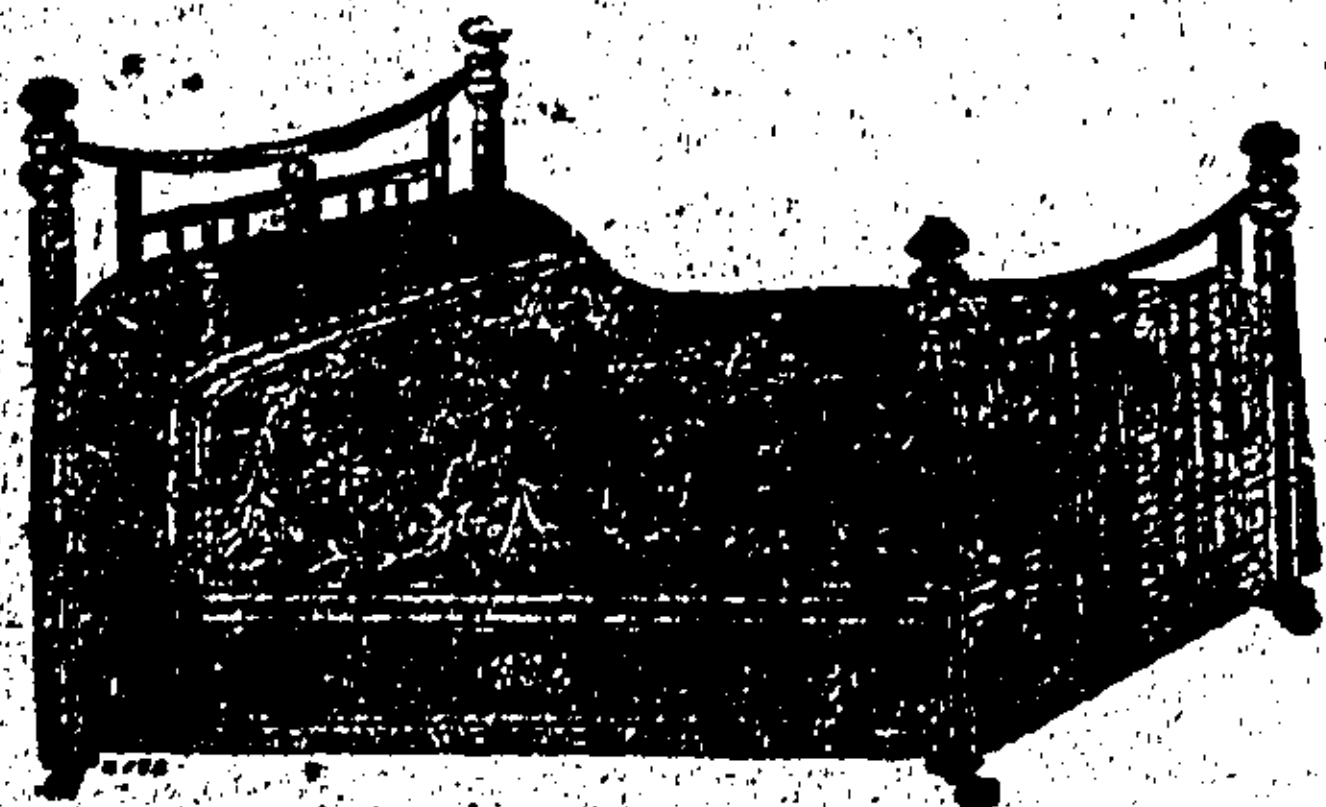
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BANKRUPTCY COURT CASES.

DEBTOR'S "EXTRAORDINARY BUSINESS."

THE AFFAIRS OF DR. T. P. WOO.

SERIOUS ALLEGATION AGAINST BANK EMPLOYEE.

Sir Henry Gollan, Chief Justice, sat at the Bankruptcy Court on Saturday morning when several debtors came up for public examination.

Chau Tsui Yin alias Chau Kit Sam was publicly examined in regard to his \$32,000 liabilities in the Colony. Debtor said that he was conducting a "remittance business." He used to receive large sums of money from persons in Canada and other parts to send on to relatives in the country. He charged 10 per cent. commission for the transaction and used to do well on the exchange. Lately he had been dependent on business locally.

Debtor's liabilities amounted to \$2,000, all of which were in respect to remittances received.

The Official Receiver, Mr. E. L. Agassiz, asked debtor what he had done with the money. Debtor replied that his customers in the country had raided his branch offices and had taken the money away. Debtor admitted that he had acted as a bank in addition to remitting money. He had used the money for investments and that was how he incurred the losses. He said that his statement of affairs only concerned Hong Kong. He did not know how he stood in the country, as his account books had all been taken away when his customers raided his branches.

In answer to his Lordship, debtor said that for money which he advanced, he had never asked for security. In the country they took each other's word for it.

His Lordship said that it was most surprising and extraordinary way of doing business, and that the debtor had been carrying on a "benevolent institution."

Debtor said his assets included a house at No. 37, Eastern Street, but he had mortgaged it. He had other properties in Canton Road and Mongkoktsui and shares in the Sze Yap Company and the Leung Tai Fui Insurance Company.

The examination was closed.

DR. WOO'S TEN PER CENT COMPOSITION.

The Official Receiver applied for approval of a composition which provided for the payment of ten per cent. on unsecured liabilities in respect of Dr. T. P. Woo's affairs. Debtor's liabilities amounted to \$81,000 which he had incurred as a result of speculation.

Mr. Agassiz said that the only assets which the debtor had was a sum of \$2,000 owing to him. He made a monthly payment of \$200 out of his earnings. The friends of debtor were willing to make a cash payment of ten per cent. on unsecured liabilities, which, he thought was of benefit to the creditors. If this was not done the debtor could not hope to pay the amount inside of two and a half years. The debtor's conduct during the bankruptcy had been satisfactory. There was no question that his debts were due to gambling, but this would be insufficient grounds for refusing to approve the composition.

After referring to the difference in the law at Home and local legislation, his Lordship said that if he did not approve of the composition, there would be nothing for the creditors. His Lordship therefore asked Mr. C. A. S. Russ, who appeared for the debtor, if he had anything to say.

Mr. Russ replied that the composition had been agreed to by all the creditors, who were quite friendly with one exception. Dr. Woo had been foolish but he had been straight.

The application was approved.

CONNAUGHT MOTOR CAR COMPANY.

The Official Receiver in applying for adjudication in respect of the Connaught Motor Car Company said that at a general meeting of creditors held on March 6th a resolution had been approved asking for adjudication and appointment of Official Receiver as Trustee.

An order in terms was granted.

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PRIZE-GIVING AT THE DOCKSIN SCHOOL.

HEADMASTER'S SATISFACTORY REPORT.

SOUND EDUCATIONAL METHODS.

The annual prize-giving of the Docks School was held on Saturday afternoon in the "Hop Yat" hall in Bonham Road. A large gathering of parents and friends of the school were present, and Mrs. A. Morris, wife of the Headmaster of King's College, kindly undertook the task of presenting the prizes.

An orchestral overture opened the proceedings after which Mr. Ko Kan Wing, B.A., in a short speech welcomed and introduced Mrs. Morris.

THE REPORT.

Mr. Dixon Chan, Principal of the School, then read the report for 1927, he said, *inter alia*:

The school was established in September 1923, at No. 6, Lower Macao Terrace (now called Ying Fat Terrace). In July 1927, when the new St. Paul's Girls' School premises were completed, we took over their old premises. This house, at No. 140, Caine Road, with its fine appearance, good hygienic conditions, and quiet surroundings, has attracted many new pupils.

The number of school days during the year was 228. The maximum enrolment was 164 as against 91 in the previous year, showing an increase of 80 pupils. The average daily attendance for the year was 124.5, the lowest attendance being in the months of July and December.

We have a staff of seven full-time, and three part-time teachers, all of whom have performed their duties with zeal and fidelity.

Methods of Teaching.

We had from experience, that the majority of Chinese boys are unable to speak and answer in correct English the most simple questions put to them. The method adopted by us is the "direct method," which consists in giving the students opportunity in speaking and writing. English speaking and debating associations have been formed in the upper classes, and have proved to be a great success. The teaching of grammar, with much practice in grammar exercises, has also not been neglected.

Typewriting is taught here in a very scientific and efficient manner. We employ the "Touch System." Many boys who have gone through a three months' course become expert typists.

Mandarin, our national language, is taught in the upper classes.

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A SERIOUS ALLEGATION.

Lo Tse Lim was publicly examined in regard to his \$60,000 liabilities which he had incurred as a result of share and exchange speculations.

Debtor said that he was employed by a Chinese bank. He had no interests in the company and his salary was only \$40 a month. He had disclosed all assets in his statement of affairs, and these consisted of certain shares held in the National City Bank of New York, and also a half share in a house in Gage Street, which had been mortgaged. He also had some jewellery deposited as security.

Mr. Leo d'Almada, snr., appearing for one of the creditors, asked debtor if he had kept a full account of his speculations during the last eight years and whether he had kept the purchase and sale notes. Debtor said that he had done so.

Debtor was questioned closely regarding certain notes of hand in regard to alleged debts. Mr. d'Almada suggested that those notes were bogus ones and had been made out for the purpose of debtor's bankruptcy.

His Lordship: You suggest, Mr. d'Almada, that no money has actually been lent by these creditors?

Mr. d'Almada: Those are my instructions.

Mr. d'Almada added that he had not had the opportunity of inspecting the notes in question and he asked an adjournment of the public examination for such inspection to be made.

His Lordship told debtor that a very serious allegation was being made against him and he (His Lordship) hoped that debtor would think things over very carefully.

OTHER CASES.

In the absence of debtors from Court, or of legal representation, an application for hearing a petition in respect of the affairs of Tung Kee and Leung Tai Cho was dismissed.

Similar action was taken in respect of the affairs of the Wing Fat Tung Kee firm.

An application for release of the Hing Loong Shing Kee was granted. The Official Receiver stated that the accounts had been passed and notice served on creditors.

NEW HONG KONG BANK NOTES.

FIVE AND TEN DOLLARS.

ATTRACTIVE DESIGNS.

The "Hong Kong & Shanghai Banking Corporation," following their issue of a new series of dollar notes at Chinese New Year, have now put new five and ten dollar notes into circulation.

The notes are dated October 1st, 1927, but they were not placed on the market until Saturday. As with the dollar notes the new series of \$5 and \$10 notes have a clear water-mark—Britannia's head. On the reverse side the familiar reproduction of the Bank's premises is used again, but there are few other points of resemblance with former issues. The old notes were numbered in two places. The new ones have their numbers marked twice on the front and four times on the back, so that unless they are torn into very small pieces their identity should be easily verifiable.

The new \$5 notes are brown in colour and are slightly smaller than the \$10 notes which are coloured blue. Both the \$5 and \$10 notes are smaller than the old issues of similar denominations.

The designs generally are very attractive and a considerable improvement on the old series. The possibilities of successful forgery appear to be reduced to a minimum. The Hon. Mr. A. C. Hynes' signature is lithographed as Chief Manager on all the notes but several members of the Bank's staff have signed as "chief accountant."

Examination Results.

Our annual school examinations were held in December last. The results in all classes, with the exception of class 4 were quite satisfactory. Classes 7 and 8 all passed. The lowest boy obtaining over 60 per cent. of marks. In the Junior Local Examination, two boys were successful. Liu On Tak, obtaining distinction in arithmetic. In the Matriculation Examination last December, one candidate was successful.

Playground Needed.

It is a great pity that, owing to the lack of a playground, the physical culture of the students was much neglected. However, they were encouraged to take part in football and other outdoor games. A football team was formed at the beginning of the year, and friendly matches with other schools were played with considerable success. Swimming parties and picnics were occasionally planned.

Conduct Records.

To enable the staff to maintain discipline and order, the use of class record books has been introduced, and instructions have been given to teachers to put down remarks concerning the conduct of students so as to encourage a stricter observance of the school regulations. This proved to be a great success and the boys on the whole have been submissive, obedient and hard-working. Parents and guardians of boys attending this school should do their best to co-operate with the school authorities if they wish their sons or wards to make good progress in their studies. They should not allow them to be absent frequently from school without substantial reasons.

Help For Poorer Students.

Many students in necessitous circumstances who have appealed to us for a reduction of fees, have been admitted.

The number of free scholars, and those paying reduced fees total about 10 per cent. of our maximum enrolment.

Before concluding, I beg to express my sincerest thanks to our promoters who have so kindly consented to recommend the school to the public; to those friends who have contributed the items in our programme to-day, and particularly to Mrs. A. Morris for having kindly consented to give away the prizes, as well as to all the ladies and gentlemen who have honoured us with their kind presence.

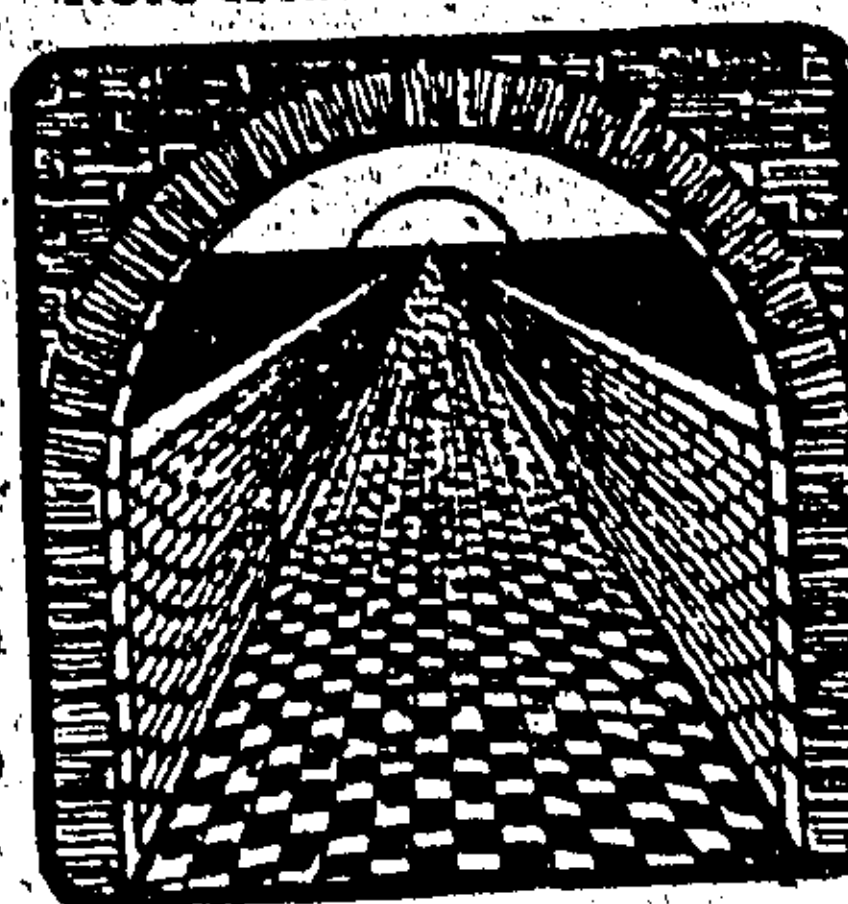
PRIZE-GIVING AND CONCERT.

Mrs. Morris then presented the prizes and thanked the Principal for asking her to do so, she congratulated the students and staff on an excellent year's work. Mrs. Morris was presented by Mr. Dixon Chan with a framed picture as a memento of the occasion, and by one of the students with a bouquet. An excellent concert followed, composed by Chinese music played by Messrs. H. C. Yan, C. H. Chan and W. K. Fung on their national instruments. A Chinese play which was very enthusiastically received followed, after which the members of the Lam Sai Wing Athletic Association gave an exhibition of Chinese boxing, and a couple of amusing dialogues were given by Old Students of the Docks School.

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GENERAL WONG SHU HUNG ON UNEQUAL TREATIES.

ADMIRAL REPLIES ANYTHING UNFAIR MUST BE MADE FAIR.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

CANTON, April 1st.

Admiral Bristol, Commander-in-Chief of the American Asiatic Squadron, and Mrs. Bristol arrived at Canton from Hong Kong on Saturday morning by the s.s. *Taihan*, accompanied by several staff officers and Mr. Douglas Jenkins, American Consul-General and Senior Consul at Canton, who was returning from America after a furlough of more than a year. The party was met by Mr. J. C. Houston, American Consul in charge, Mr. F. W. Hinkle, Mr. W. K. Hah, of the Consulate-General; Mr. F. H. Tyson, of the Standard Oil Company; Captains Lee, Wu, and Ching, representing the Canton Naval Office; Secretaries Yick and Tang, of the Canton Bureau for Foreign Affairs; Mr. Chang, Secretary to the Mayor of Canton; and representatives of the local Press. Admiral Bristol met all in the dining room of the steamer and, after a chat with these welcoming him, drove off to Shamoen, where the party had breakfast with Mr. and Mrs. Tyson. In the Admiral's party were Captain and Mrs. K. Castlemen, and Lieutenant-Commanders C. J. Wheeler, Webb Traumbel, P. C. Carroll, Zacharias, and R. A. Lavander.

Admiral Bristol and his party together with Mr. Houston, paid an unofficial call on General Wong Shu Hung and Admiral Chan Chak in the Government House, where they were entertained to luncheon.

Madame Li Teai Hsin, Mrs. Wong Shu Hung, Mrs. Chan Chak, and other leaders of local official society were hosts at a luncheon at Madame Li's house to Mrs. Bristol and other ladies of the American party on Saturday noon, while a similar function was held at the Government House in honour of the Admiral.

Some fifty guests, including members of the Political and Administrative Councils in Canton, were present at the luncheon in honour of Admiral Bristol.

GENERAL WONG SHU HUNG'S SPEECH.

AMITY OF THE TWO REPUBLICS.

General Wong Shu Hung, as chief host, welcomed the visitors as follows:—

GENERAL WONG SHU HUNG'S WELCOME.

To-day we enjoy a great honour in the informal visit of a distinguished guest, Admiral Bristol. We all feel very happy at this gathering of American and Chinese friends.

China is one of the oldest nations in history and civilization, but as a republic she is one of the youngest, while America is one of the oldest. So we are looking to the guidance of our sister republic. There is absolutely no conflict between the two nations situated on either side of the Pacific Ocean. Since America sticks to her Monroe Doctrine, we are not afraid of commercial intercourse. We are aware that America has no political ambition.

Therefore there have always been friendly Sino-American relations. Even when unfortunate international incidents happened during the last few years, due to the unequal treaties, we Chinese as a whole have had no ill-feeling towards the American people. I am sure Admiral Bristol is equally pleased that the two peoples should be on such good terms.

As America is known as a country of equality and liberty, we can imagine what they feel about the international complications existing in this country which is still to some extent under the yoke of the foreign Powers. We Chinese cherish a great hope that we shall soon be able to get rid of foreign influence in economic and political spheres. We look to America to take a lead in the direction of doing away with the existing treaties which are one-sided and out-of-date and negotiating a new treaty on the basis of equality and reciprocity. This will not only increase the international standing and prestige of China, but also tend to promote peace in the Far East.

Although to-day we are welcoming the Admiral in an informal way, we are doing our best in bringing about a mutual good understanding.

Consequently friendly relations between the United States of America and the Republic of China are to be strengthened to still a greater extent. Now we all drink to the health of Admiral Bristol and also to the prosperity of the two sister Republics.

A LOCAL FILM INDUSTRY.

MRS. BIBLA'S ENTERPRISING SCHEME.

ANNA MAY WONG TO HELP.

CHINESE BOYS AND GIRLS BEING TAUGHT.

To found a cinematograph film industry in the Colony is the ambitious scheme of Mrs. X. S. H. Bibla, whose stage name is Miss Ashtreiber. She is now in the Colony and has established her office at the Exchange Building.

Mrs. Bibla in conversation with a *Daily Press* representative said that she had been with the well-known film producers, Messrs. Pathe Freres for over twenty years. She is quite conversant with film producing and has for many years been interested in this business in Shanghai where she has "shot" many Chinese scenes for Hollywood. She had a big atelier there and on her pay roll were several hundred Chinese girls and boys.

It is of interest to mention that Mrs. Bibla trained Miss Anna May Wong, who was the first Chinese girl to reach "stardom" in Hollywood. Miss Wong was in Hollywood until recently and at the present moment she is playing in a big film in France. She will return to the Colony in September to help Mrs. Bibla in her business here.

Mrs. Bibla intends to build a big atelier here, and will, with the help of local Chinese players, produce several films for commercial advertising purposes. Her idea is not to make a film solely to advertise any particular goods. She will work her advertisement into comedies or melodramatic stories.

At the present moment Mrs. Bibla has a school for would-be actresses. She undertakes to complete their course in three months, and then the students will be placed on her pay roll.

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RECEPTION ABOARD U.S.S. "ASHVILLE."

AMERICAN COMMUNITY MEET THE ADMIRAL.

[FROM OUR CHINESE CORRESPONDENT.]

A very enjoyable reception in honour of the admiral was held on board the U.S.S. *Ashville* in Canton Harbour last Saturday afternoon, when Chinese and American officials, the members of the local American community including a number of ladies and several well-known Chinese met the distinguished visitor. The guests on board the gunboat were introduced to Admiral and Mrs. Bristol by Captain J. M. Enoch, commander of the *Ashville*, and Mr. J. C. Houston, American Consul in charge.

The reception was a very informal affair and delightful refreshments were served in American style. Chinese officials present included General Wong Shu Hung, acting as host, and Mr. Douglas Jenkins, American Consul-General in Canton, who has just returned from America on furlough but is not resuming work till Monday was present but Mr. Houston was in charge of all arrangements.

Many Americans present at the reception were Mrs. and Mr. G. W. Gross, president of the American Association of Canton, Mr. J. E. McKenna and Mr. F. W. Hinkle, American Vice-Consul, Mr. F. H. Tyson, manager of the Standard Oil Company, Dr. J. W. Creighton, principal of the True Light Middle School; Dr. J. M. Henry, vice-president of Lingnan University; Dr. and Mrs. Paul J. Todd, formerly of Sun Yat Sen University; Mr. and Mrs. Lockwood of the Canton Y.M.C.A.; and Professors Knipp, H. C. Brownell, and others from Lingnan.

IMPROVEMENT IN THE SWATOW DISTRICT.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

Swatow, March 31st.

A large number of troops have arrived from Canton and have proceeded up country to the disturbed districts. The situation continues to improve.

Chinese As Classical Dancers.

Asked as to whether Chinese girls make good players Mrs. Bibla says that they are almost unequalled for classical dancing. The Chinese "race" have a wonderful plastic physique, she said, but the only drawback is that they do not seem to have an ear for Western music. Mrs. Bibla also said that she is experiencing a little difficulty in getting the requisite number of Chinese girls to join her in Hong Kong. The local girls, she said, are rather shy and not so "modern" as their Shanghai sisters. In Shanghai she did not have any difficulty in getting the required number of girls for her business.

Thousand And One New Territory Scenes!

Our representative asked this enterprising lady whether Hong Kong afforded any good scenery, and Mrs. Bibla said that in the New Territories, she could shoot a thousand and one scenes if she so desired. As a matter of fact she has many suitable spots marked down and as soon as she gets her pupils in trim, she will commence operations at once.

Apart from commercial advertising, she will continually keep on producing plays which have been adapted from English and American novels. Russian historical plays will also be included.

"FLESH AND THE DEVIL."

GENTLEMEN WHO PREFERRED BLONDES.

CINEMA PROGRAMME FOR THE WEEK.

[BY OUR FILM CRITIC.]

"Flesh and the Devil" has been made with very considerable care from a German story "The Undying Past." The sentiment is Teutonic, and great trouble was taken to get the setting as accurate as possible. Elaborate replicas of German castles and a Berlin railway station were built up and a forest of linden trees imported from Germany.

Greta Garbo plays the leading role, of the soulless lovely woman, who ensnares men to their ruin. Her technique is very different to that of the usual stage "vamp" and is typically Miss Garbo's own. Felicitas is neither a luscious seductive woman, nor a merry little coquette, but a languid fragile personality with the empty innocence of childhood in her eyes, and on nature as poisonous as an insect eating orchid.

John Gilbert, as a German lordling, fresh from his military service, is her victim. He loves her unaware that she is married, and the immediate consequence is a duel with her husband in which the latter is killed. During the five years service in the African Battalion which his military superiors impose as a punishment, Leo's (John Gilbert's) great friend in his turn falls a victim to Circe and marries her, ignorant of the cause of the fatal duel. Leo returns, and Felicitas determines to win him once more as her lover. Her fatal charms are stronger than the claims of friendship although Leo struggles against temptation, and the climax comes in yet another duel between the two men who have sworn eternal friendship.

Not a very pleasant subject, but perhaps the title should prepare you for that. The interest lies in the personality of Felicitas and, we suppose, in the frankness of the love scenes. In a recent scientific test to measure the emotional response to pictures, this film was chosen for exhibition in front of the selected ladies as the most emotionally exciting agent procurable. Perhaps the fact that the learned professors were gentlemen and, therefore, preferred blondes such as Miss Garbo may have influenced the choice!

"Flesh and the Devil" is an interesting film and will probably draw good houses although it will not be to everyone's taste.

THE WEEK'S PROGRAMME.

Queen's.

To-day (till Thursday)—"Flesh and the Devil."—Saturday—"The Shield of Honour," an exciting story of the police force.

World.

To-day—"Hold that Lion," a Douglas MacLean comedy. Tuesday and Wednesday—"Sydney Chaplin in 'Oh, What a Nurse.'" Thursday to Saturday—"A Zane Grey story, 'Fortiorn River.'"

Star.

To-day—An excellent film lately shown at the World, "You Never Know Women."

Tuesday, at 9.15.—The Wilbur Players in "The Sap." Wednesday to Saturday, 2.30 to 8.30.—"Love's Blindness" based on a story by Elinor Glyn. On Wednesday at 9.15 Wilbur Players in "The Sap." On Thursday in "Handcuffed," on Friday in "Three Life Ghosts," and on Saturday in "Her Wedding Night."

CORRESPONDENCE.

MOTHER INDIA.

[TO THE EDITOR OF "THE HONG KONG DAILY PRESS."]

Sir,—I gather from the March number of the *St. John's Cathedral Notes* under the heading "Diocesan Library," that it was decided on February 16th to immediately purchase for the Diocesan Library 21 books, amongst them also Miss Mayo's book "Mother India." I herewith must express my public protest against the placing of this notorious book in any Library in Hong Kong, owing to its poisonous and harmful nature. This book, although it has appeared only quite recently, has evoked a tremendous storm of indignation and protest by Christian and other Church and public leaders in East and West alike, by all of whom it has been condemned as misleading and destructive. I trust that the book in question will be withdrawn from circulation forthwith, and not receive a place in the Hong Kong Diocesan Library as intended, or any other Library in Hong Kong.

In support I may state, that the International Missionary Council in London has received from the National Christian Council of India a statement issued by its executive regarding Miss Mayo's book "Mother India." All suggestions that the book was promoted with interests of missionary propaganda are repudiated emphatically. The statement reads: "We, representing a body of men and women who are in close touch with the people and are conversant with their every day life, unhesitatingly assert that the picture of India which emerges from Miss Mayo's book is untrue to the facts and unjust to the people of India. The ugly and repulsive and disgusting aspects of Indian life are not the predominant things in Indian Society. Beauty and culture, kindness and charm, religion and piety are to be found alike among the highest and the humblest. Miss Mayo leaves no room for these in her picture."

If this unsympathetic recital of evils, which are deep-seated enough, but not universal as the book seems to imply, leads to disparage of any progress or to embitterment of the relationships between Indians and Europeans, or to any weakening of the joint efforts being made for the betterment of the people of India, the result will be disastrous to both India and the West.

"We have faith in India and India's future. We have faith that she will be able, strengthened by the Spirit of God, to obtain deliverance from these evils. We earnestly desire that East and West should co-operate to this end in a spirit of love and understanding. Our fear is that this book may, by its lack of understanding, its exaggeration and its unfairness, make such co-operation more difficult for both sides. For this reason we have felt impelled to issue this statement to the peoples of India and to the missionary leaders in the West." (Quoted from the Wanchai Methodist Church Quarterly, March, 1928 (Hong Kong).)

The criticisms of Miss Mayo's book "Mother India," by numerous able Church and public leaders are equally severe in their condemnation of Miss Mayo's book. Sir R. B. S. B. Tagore accuses her of "deliberate, untruthful irresponsibility." Mahatma Gandhi compares her book to the report of a drain inspector. Dr. Margaret Balfour, practising in Bombay, repudiates the untruthful statements of Miss Mayo by contributing to the *Times of India* amongst others, some facts collected by her during an investigation into conditions of child labour in India. Miss Mayo stated in her book, that the Indian girl commonly works for motherhood between the ages of 18 and 8, and that although eight is extreme, 14 is well above the average of motherhood. Dr. Margaret Balfour shows records of cases of 304 Indian mothers, who were delivered of their first babies in Bombay hospitals, and the average was 18.7 years, there were only three mothers aged 14, which was the youngest age. Dr. Balfour compares these figures with the reports for the years 1922-24, of the Madras Maternity Hospital, where 3,312 mothers were delivered of their first babies at an average age of 19.4. There were only seven mothers aged 13 and twenty-two aged 14. Dr. Balfour shows also reports of 3,904 cases from other parts of India, including the North, of which only ten cases were below 15 years, and 13 was the youngest age. Yet it is true that legislation, such as that of most of the Major Indian States, in regard to the age of consent is "badly needed," and it is well known to note, that the Indian States do continue to raise the age of marriage; the latest of these is Rajkot, where the People's Representative Assembly has passed a Bill penalising all marriages below the age of 19 for the bridegroom and 15 for the bride. The age of consent has been fixed at 18.

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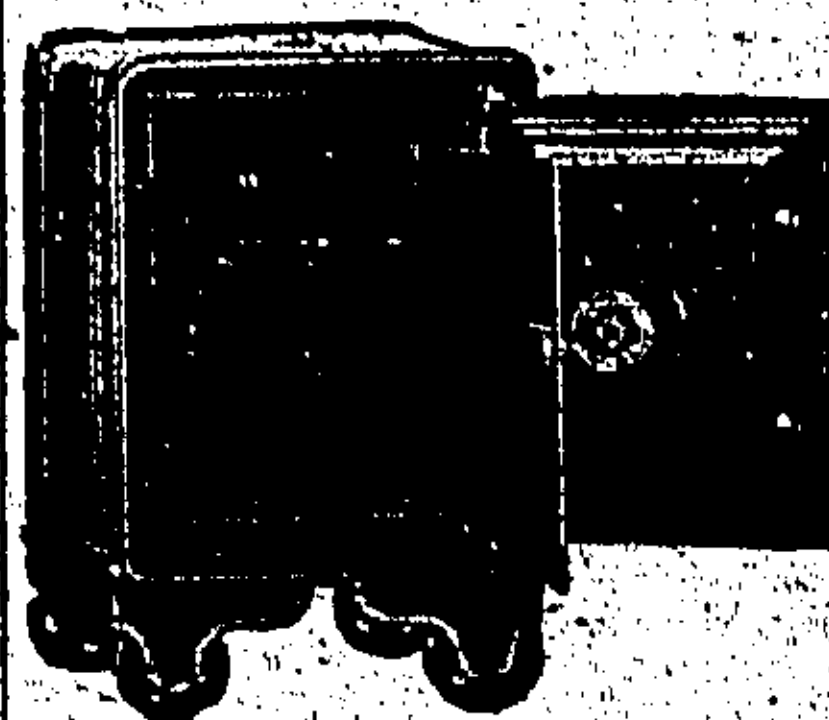
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Thanking you for the courtesy of publishing the above, I am, Yours,
etc.,
HERBERT E. LANEPART
Hong Kong, April 1st, 1928.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

HONG KONG CRICKET CLUB.

TENNIS TOURNAMENT.

REVISED LIST OF DATES on which MATCHES are to be Played in the PAVILION. Competitors are requested to consult same as soon as possible. [6065]

HONG KONG REALTY AND TRUST CO., LTD.

NOTICE.

THE Business and Goodwill of the Architectural Department of this Company will be taken over as a Going Concern on and from the 1st APRIL, 1928, by Mr. GEO. W. GREY, F.R.I.B.A., F.A.I., & Mr. J. BENTLEY HAWKER, who propose to practice under the Firm Name of GREY & HAWKER, and this Company therefore hereby gives Formal Notice that it will not be responsible for any liabilities in connection with such Business incurred after that Date.

For the HONG KONG REALTY AND TRUST CO., LTD.,
J. H. TAGGART,
Managing Director.
Hong Kong, 1st Apr. 1928. [6064]

GREY & HAWKER.

NOTICE.

AS on and from the 1st APRIL, 1928, the Undersigned will carry on in Partnership under the Firm Name of GREY & HAWKER, the Business of the Architectural Department of the Hong Kong Realty and Trust Co., Ltd.
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GEO. W. GREY,
Chartered Architect.
Chartered Surveyor.
J. BENTLEY HAWKER,
Hong Kong, 30th Mar., 1928. [6063]

HONG KONG JOCKEY CLUB.

THE THIRD EXTRA RACE MEETING will be held (Weather Permitting) at HAPPY VALLEY on SATURDAY, 7th APRIL, 1928, and on MONDAY, 9th APRIL, 1928, commencing at 2.30 p.m. on both days. The First Race will be at 2.30 p.m. The Charge for Admission to the Public Enclosure will be \$1.00 Per Day for all Persons including Ladies. Soldiers and Sailors in Uniform, Half Price. Members are advised that they must show their Badges to obtain Admission to the Members Enclosure.

Each Member has the right to introduce 2 Non-members to the Members Enclosure. Tickets for whom can be obtained from Messrs. LIVERMAN & DAVIS, at 44, ARCADE, UP TO FRIDAY, 6th APRIL, 1928.
The Charge for Admission for Ladies to the Members Enclosure will be \$2.00 Per Day. Each Member can obtain, upon application to the SECRETARY, Badges for Admission of 2 Ladies Free of Charge.
Bookmakers, Tea, etc., etc., will not be permitted to operate within the Precincts of the Hong Kong Jockey Club during the Race Meeting. [6067]

HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE OF MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS OF THE HONG KONG ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held in the Office of Messrs. SHAW, TONG & CO., St. George's Building, 14th Floor, 14th April, 1928, at 11.00 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Board of Directors and a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1927, and of electing Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 14th APRIL, Both Days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
S. COURTNEY COOK,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 31st Mar., 1928. [6068]

HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRD ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF HONG KONG TELEPHONE COMPANY, LIMITED, will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 11th Day of APRIL, 1928, at the Board Room of the Company, 2nd Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong, at 12 o'clock noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Board of Directors for the Financial Year ended 31st December, 1927, confirming the Statement of Three Directors and re-electing Two Directors and the Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 4th APRIL, to the 11th APRIL, 1928, Both Days inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
P. HEBBERY,
Manager.
14, Des Voeux Road Central, Hong Kong. [6062]

INTIMATIONS.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the above Company will be held at the Company's Office, P.O. Box 200, on MONDAY, the 2nd of APRIL, 1928, at 11 a.m.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 29th of MARCH to 2nd of APRIL, Both Days inclusive.

DOUGLAS LAFFRAK & CO.,
General Managers. [6043]

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a Further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at P.O. Box 120, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon on MONDAY, the 2nd Day of APRIL, 1928, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, confirming the following Resolution passed at an Extraordinary Meeting on the 18th Day of MARCH, 1928, as a Special Resolution—

"That the Capital of the Company be increased from its present Capital of \$4,000,000 (Hong Kong Currency) divided into 300,000 Shares of \$10 Each, to \$6,000,000 (Hong Kong Currency) divided into 600,000 Shares of \$10 Each and that such Additional Shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the Original Capital of the Company."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that a Further EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Company will be held at the Same Place on MONDAY, the 2nd Day of APRIL, 1928, at 12.40 o'clock in the afternoon, so soon thereafter as the above Meeting shall have terminated for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions, namely—

1. "That the Directors be, and they are hereby, authorized to capitalize the Sum of \$1,500,000 Profits of the Company standing to the Credit of the Company's Reserve Fund and to allot to the Members holding Shares of the Company on the 1st day of JUNE, 1928, in respect of the said amount capitalized Fully Paid Shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of One Share for every Two Shares of the Company then held by such Persons respectively and that such Shares so allotted shall rank for Dividends as from the 1st day of JUNE, 1928."

2. "That if on such Distribution as aforesaid, any Person would be entitled to a Fraction of a Share, the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional Shares, cause the Whole Share to be allotted to a Person or Persons to be named by the Directors and such Share may, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the Proceeds distributed amongst the Persons entitled to the Fractions making up the Share."

Dated the 26th day of March, 1928.

By Order of the Board,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents. [6057]

THE BANK OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SEVENTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the Head Office, No. 4, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, on WEDNESDAY, the 4th APRIL, 1928, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the Year ending 31st December, 1927.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 29th MARCH to the 4th APRIL, 1928 (Both Days inclusive), during which period No Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board,
LOOK POONG SHAN,
Chief Manager.
Hong Kong, 19th Mar., 1928. [6029]

MACAO RACE CLUB.

DRAFT Programmes and Entry Forms of the SEVENTH EXTRA RACE MEETING to be held on SUNDAY, 15th APRIL, 1928 (Weather Permitting), can be obtained upon application to THE INTERNATIONAL RACE and Recreation Club of MACAO, LTD., 805, Des Voeux Road, Central, Hong Kong, and BOXES ADVERTISING CO., 3rd Floor, Exchange Building, Hong Kong.

Entries will CLOSE on TUESDAY, 3rd APRIL, 1928, at 1 p.m. [6049]

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INTIMATIONS.

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME.

I, THOMAS BURLINGTON WILSON, of 44, Des Voeux Road Central, Victoria, in the Colony of Hong Kong, as Agent for DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINES, LIMITED (or VANCOUVER), HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that for the purpose of Conformity, I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the Ship "S. DOLLAR" of the Port of Hong Kong, Official Number 140336 of Gross Tonnage 9,294.41 tons, Register Tonnage 6,919.41 tons, heretofore owned by the said DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINES, LIMITED (or VANCOUVER), and to have her registered in the New Name at the Port of Hong Kong as owned by the said DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINES, LIMITED (or VANCOUVER).

Any Objections to the proposed Change of Name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hong Kong within Seven Days from the Appearance of This Advertisement.

Dated at Hong Kong, this 27th day of March, 1928.

(Signed) T. B. WILSON,
Agent for DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINES, LTD. (or VANCOUVER). [6064]

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Dated at Hong Kong, this 27th day of March, 1928.

(Signed) T. B. WILSON,
Agent for DOLLAR STEAMSHIP LINES, LTD. (or VANCOUVER). [6066]

OFFICIAL NOTICE.

PROPOSAL TO CHANGE A SHIP'S NAME.

I, LI KOON CHUN, of Hong Kong, HEREBY GIVE NOTICE that in pursuance of my agreement with the Vendor, I have applied to the Board of Trade, under Section 47 of the Merchant Shipping Act, 1894, in respect of the Ship "GORGON" of Liverpool, Official Number 127935, of Gross Tonnage 2,855.49 tons, Register Tonnage 1,935.80 tons, heretofore owned by OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED, India Building, in the City of Liverpool, for the Permission to Change her Name to "LYEEMOON" and to have her registered in the New Name at the Port of Hong Kong as owned by CHEONG HING STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

Any Objections to the proposed Change of Name must be sent to the Registrar of Shipping at Hong Kong within Seven Days from the Appearance of This Advertisement.

Dated at Hong Kong, this 27th day of March, 1928.

(Signed) LI KOON CHUN. [6063]

INTIMATIONS.

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WE HAVE THIS DAY REMOVED Our Office to No. 7, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, 4th Floor, PARKER BUILDING.
BORNEMANN & CO.
31st March, 1928. [6061]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

WE HAVE THIS DAY REMOVED—
OUR OFFICE TO BANK OF CANTON BUILDING, 2nd Floor, Room No. 209.
OUR AUCTION ROOM TO FRENCH BANK BUILDING BASEMENT.
HUGHES & ROUGH, LTD.
Hong Kong, 30th Mar., 1928. [6060]

HONG KONG CLUB.

NOTICE.

IN Terms of Debenture Conditions Nos. 12, 13 and 14, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all Unredeemed Debentures (1920 issue—\$400 Each) of the HONG KONG CLUB will be Redeemed on the 30th SEPTEMBER, 1928.

By Order,
T. A. ROBERTSON, Lieut. Col., Secretary.
Hong Kong, 30th Mar., 1928. [6079]

TELEPHONE SERVICE BETWEEN HONG KONG AND KOWLOON.

FROM 17th MARCH, 1928, until Further Notice, TELEPHONE SERVICE between HONG KONG AND KOWLOON will be RESTRICTED owing to Harbour Dredging Operations necessitating the Removal of our Submarine Cables and Resulting in a Reduction in the Number of Junctions available to carry the Telephone Traffic between the above mentioned Places. A Full Service will be Restored Immediately Dredging Operations Cease.

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DEATH.

BANISTER—On February 26th, at Solihull Rectory, Sussex, in his 73rd year, the Right Rev. W. BANISTER, D.D., some time Archdeacon of Hong Kong and later Bishop in Kuangsi-Hunan. [6086]

Hong Kong Office: 11, Lee House Street.
London Office: 21, Bride Lane, Fleet Street, E.C. 4.

The Daily Press.

Hong Kong, April 2nd, 1928.

OUR TOP HEAVY EDUCATIONAL SYSTEM.

Last week we published a list of donations recently made by Chinese gentlemen in aid of free scholarships at various schools in the Colony. On Saturday we read, with a considerable amount of interest, the remarks of the Hon. Mr. J. OWEN HUGHES on Chinese craftsmanship at the opening of the China Exhibition the previous day.

The two subjects—scholarships and craftsmanship—may not appear to be closely related, but they linked themselves together in our mind and led, as it seemed naturally, to a general review of the whole educational system in this Colony. The conclusion reached was that we were in considerable danger of making that system top-heavy. We have a University which has on more than one occasion been described as a lighthouse. It certainly stands as a shining example to China in educational matters. We have a number of splendidly equipped and well-staffed schools—one, King's College, opened only a few weeks

since which could not be surpassed in any department by any school in England. But, where is the foundation upon which these fine schools and this excellent University should stand, whence do they draw their scholars year after year. We venture to think that the majority of them come from fairly well-to-do families. There are dozens of scholarships by which clever boys attending these schools may receive their tuition entirely free of cost, and ways and means are provided for some of them to pass on to the University, but the provision of such scholarships does not touch the fringe of the problem. Large families are the rule among the Chinese and it must be remembered that a first class mechanic does not receive much more than \$30 a month. What chance has he of sending his children to the Government Schools, even though the monthly fee is as low as \$5!

What does the Government do, in education, for these families of hard-working, law-abiding men who form the backbone of the Colony's population? Very little we are afraid. We admit that the subject bristles with difficulties. Compulsory and free education cannot easily be provided for all. But because the subject is a difficult one that is no reason why it should be neglected as our authorities have neglected it in the past. In our educational policy we have simply followed the line of least resistance. Everyone pays lip service to the value of education. In a British Colony it would be a scandal if something were not done, and so the educational enthusiasts cry out for splendid and still more splendid schools and when they are built and are immediately filled with well-to-do students whose fees do not pay half of the up-keep their point with pride to their handiwork. To us it seems a simple way of stalling the prickling of their consciences because they must know that these schools do not go one step towards solving the real and vital educational problem with which the Colony is faced—the problem of providing some elementary education for thousands of British-born subjects who, under present conditions, are never given the remotest chance of learning one word of the English language. These are a few of the considerations which led to our statement that the Colony's educational system was "top-heavy."

There is a good deal of what is commonly known as "eye-wash" about it. It is no function of the State to turn out University graduates and to subsidise others from the rates and taxes until they can pass a matriculation examination whilst the great mass of the poor receive no education whatever. The higher standards can only be reached by the middle-classes in England through sacrifices as many British parents know to their cost. There is no logical reason why the middle-classes in a British Colony should not pay fully for similar educational advantages and thus leave more money available to help those whose need is greater.

At the China Exhibition the Hon. Mr. J. OWEN HUGHES, referring to the need of encouraging Chinese craftsmanship, said—

"The Technical Institute is excellent but I wish to make an appeal for the better teaching of Chinese youths in craftsmanship. The teaching in the dockyards has had wonderful results. I look forward to the time when the Government will do something to help the young Chinese workman to learn to be a good craftsman."

If our educational authorities thought a little more deeply on these lines, a little more of the children who now sleep on our pavements and are destined to become unskilled labourers a few years hence, and a little less of the glamour and prestige of fine buildings and academic robes, they might achieve more of lasting good.

One Chinese case of small-pox and one of enteric were reported on Friday.

Messrs. Hughes and Hough have removed their auction rooms to the basement of the French Bank Building and their office to the Bank of Canton Building.

A report has been made to the police by Mrs. Blaker, of No. 423, Tin Peak, to the effect that a travelling clock, valued at \$45, has been stolen from her house.

Construction of a retaining wall at the Queen's College (new) site at Sookunpoo will be put in hand shortly, according to the Gazette, and tenders are invited.

Tsun Wan Marine Lot No. 3, situated on Pillar Island, off Gin Drinkers' Bay, is to be sold at the P.W.D. Offices on April 16th. It has an area of 300,000 square feet, and the upset price is \$2,000.

The raffle for the Orthophonic Gramophone of the Misses Woods was drawn on Saturday, and won by the ticket No. 338—the lucky winner being Mrs. Mitchell, of "Flowerbush," Stubbs Road.

At the Doorman Boys' School, on April 14th there will be an afternoon entertainment, the programme to include exhibition of games, music and dancing. The band of the Queen's Regiment is to be present.

Under the Societies Ordinance, 1920, the *Ki Tuk Kow Wai Sui Nin Tuen*, has, according to the *Government Gazette*, been declared an unlawful society. The name, as rendered in Chinese, indicates a Christian institution of young men.

According to a police report, Mrs. Stroker, of 235, Nathan Road, Kowloon, was attacked by two Chinese boys in Nathan Road. The boys managed to make away with her hand-bag which contained \$10 in money and a bunch of keys.

The offices of the Supreme Court will be open daily from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. during the Easter Vacation, except on public and general holidays, when the offices will be entirely closed. The Easter Vacation begins on April 6th, and terminates on April 12th (both days inclusive).

Following a domestic quarrel a Chinese woman living at 61, Main Street, Shaanwan, took a dose of opium with a view to committing suicide. She was at once taken to the Government Civil Hospital, where restoration treatment was applied and she was discharged in twelve hours.

The Chinese Athletic Association entertained the Malayan Chinese team at dinner at Lane, Crawford's restaurant last night. Mr. A. V. Young proposed the health of the Malayan team and Mr. Lee Cheok Wah, Captain of the Malayan team, responded. Mr. Lee Yik Tat, Captain of the Athletic Association team, also spoke.

Up to a late hour last night there no official news about the prisoner who escaped on Friday from Victoria Gaol. There were various rumours of his recapture but since there could be no object in withholding such information it may be taken that up to then the man has eluded his pursuers. He was held on charges arising out of loss of life following an attack upon a woman by passengers whom she was conveying across the harbour.

The following appointments have been gazetted—Mr. R. A. C. North to act as Secretary for Chinese Affairs with effect from March 27th and to be a member of the Executive and Legislative Councils during his tenure of that office; Mr. S. B. McDermott to act as Assistant Colonial Secretary and Clerk of Councils with effect from March 28th; Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, M.C., to act as Deputy Registrar of the Supreme Court with effect from April 1st; Mr. C. B. Tremblay to act as Superintendent of the Botanical and Forestry Department during the absence on leave of Mr. H. Green, with effect from March 21st; Mr. Kwok Siu Lau to be a life member of the Court of the University.

WEATHER REPORT.

The weather report, forecast and remarks, issued by the Royal Observatory at 5.55 p.m. yesterday, stated—

Changes are slight since this morning. Fresh to moderate monsoon may be expected along the South and South-east coast of China.

Local forecast—N.E. winds, fresh to moderate, overcast, some rain.

A THREE MONTHS' OFFENSIVE.

BIG NATIONALIST TROOP MOVEMENTS.

AMERICA SETTLES THE NANKING INCIDENT.

AMOY SITUATION QUIETER.

HEAVY FIGHTING REPORTED IN SHANSI.

Both North and South seem to have made up their minds that the coming offensive is only going to last three months, and they are making financial arrangements accordingly.

The Northerners have transferred the control of all money affairs to their Generalissimo, Marshal Chang Tso Lin, for a period of three months, while the Southerners intend to provide \$12,000,000 a month for the same period.

There is a report in the vernacular press of heavy fighting in Shansi during the last few days. The Fengtienese launched an attack upon Lungchunwan on the Shansi-Chihli border, but they were at length repulsed.

The Amoy situation appears to be growing quieter, although there is still plenty of bad feeling. The boycott is still in full force. On Saturday a Canton Red was arrested there.

Mr. MacMurray, the American Minister has reached a settlement of the Nanking incident following conversation with Hwang Fu, the Nationalist Foreign Minister. He has now proceeded to Peking to confirm the matter.

THE COST OF THE OFFENSIVE.

ODDS AGAINST MARSHAL FENG.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PEKING, April 1st. It seems as if the North and South have tacitly agreed that the coming campaign should last for three months and are making financial arrangements accordingly.

According to reports received from Nanking, the Nationalists are seeking to provide \$12,000,000 a month for 3 months, while the Southerners are negotiating with Tientsin for a loan of \$6,000,000 for 3 months, secured on the revenues of five Government railways.

The financial affairs of the Northerners, for 3 months from April 1st, will be placed under the direct control of the Ta Yuan Shuai, or Generalissimo, Marshal Chang Tso Lin. All revenue from the different departments, including the Finance Ministry, will pass through the hands of the new financial control board under the Ta Yuan Shuai for 3 months, after which the control of finances will be handed back to the Cabinet.

It is estimated that military and civil expenditure will be \$7,000,000 a month for the next 3 months, while revenue will be \$3,000,000 a month. It is stated that the deficit will be made up from the private property of Marshal Chang Tso Lin.

General Yang Yu Ting has 110,000 men on the Peking Line in Southern Chihli, apart from troops at Tainingfu and Chihli-Shantung forces on other fronts. Hence it appears that Marshal Feng Yu Hsiang will be heavily outnumbered. It is still uncertain on which day the offensive will start.

FIGHTING IN SHANSI.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 1st. The Military headquarters in Taiyuan, capital of Shansi, telegraphs to Nanking stating that on March 28th, the Fengtienese launched a severe attack on Lungchunwan, an important gateway on the Shansi-Chihli border. At the same time they attacked many strategic points nearby. On the following day the Shansi troops succeeded in driving them back, but both sides are ready for another battle.

NATIONALIST STAFF MOVES.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 1st. All staff members of the Nanking army headquarters left Nanking for Pukow yesterday and will proceed to Huachow. It is expected that Marshal Chiang Kai Shek will go to the front to direct operations.

CHIANG'S DECLARATIONS.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 1st. In view of the impending Northern expedition, Marshal Chiang Kai Shek has drawn up four declarations, announcing the purpose of this expedition against the Peking Government. The classes for which these documents are intended are Kuomintang comrades, the armed comrades, countrymen in Northern China, and the Fengtienese soldiers who are hired by Chang Tso Lin to fight the Nationalist Government.

MARSHAL LI CHIEF OF STAFF.

(Wah Tai Yat Pao.)

SHANGHAI, April 1st. On the morning of March 30th Marshal Li Tsai Hsin, and General Ho Ying Chien assumed duties as "Chief of Staff" and "Vice Chief of Staff" at the Army Headquarters of the Northern Expedition at Nanking with due ceremony. Marshal Chiang Kai Shek delivered a long speech on the occasion.

BRITAIN'S SURPLUS.

END OF FINANCIAL YEAR.

HIGHER THAN ESTIMATED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 31st. The close of the financial year finds Mr. Churchill the possessor of a surplus of £4,238,000 sterling as a result of the Budget he introduced last April. The revenue of the year was £242,000,000 and the expenditure of £237,762,000.

Mr. Churchill estimated a surplus of £1,440,000 but revenue exceeded his estimate by £2,800,000.

LADY BAILEY'S FLIGHT.

A VIOLENT THUNDERSTORM.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

ESCORT OF PLANES.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

Rugby, March 31st. Lady Bailey, flying from London to Capetown in a Moth plane, encountered a violent thunderstorm when crossing into the Sudan. She arrived safely at Wady Halfa despite the fierce gale. From Khartoum she will be escorted by aircraft since the Sudan authorities consider it dangerous for her to fly alone over that region.

BRIBERY AND CORRUPTION.

GERMAN FINANCIERS SENTENCED.

MANY OFFICIALS BRIBED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BERLIN, March 31st. The corruption and bribery trial which has been proceeding for over a year at Berlin, in which the chief accused were two financial speculators, the brothers Julius and Henry Barnat, has ended. Julius was sentenced to fifteen months and Henry to six months imprisonment, while several other accused received minor sentences or were fined or acquitted.

The Barnats were alleged to have bribed many business men, politicians and officials, including the late Minister of Posts, Herr Hoffe. The Prussian State Bank lost heavily as a result of the Barnat manipulation. The trial cost the State 250,000 marks.

SMYRNA EARTHQUAKE.

MANY KILLED AND INJURED.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

CONSTANTINOPLE, April 1st. A series of earthquakes shook the city here. Forty have been killed and many injured in Smyrna, and one village was half destroyed.

BANDITS CAPTURED HAICHOW.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

SHANGHAI, March 30th. According to reliable reports, 3,000 bandits, believed to be operating in liaison with the Chihli-Shantung forces, captured Haichow on the 28th instant. General Chen Tiao Yuang's Army, from Tientsin-Kiangsu, is now making for the captured city.

LARGE TROOP MOVEMENTS REPORTED.

THE CHANGSHA CONFERENCE.

[NAVAL WIRELESS.]

A large number of Nationalist troops have crossed from Nanking to Pukow and are believed to be on the way to the front. On Saturday morning several thousand soldiers were seen going by train to the Northern front.

The message was: WUHU, March 28th. Six thousand Nationalist troops have left this port for Pukow and then on the Tientsin-Peking Railway to Rengpu.

NANKING, March 28th. Ten thousand troops have crossed from Nanking to Pukow, on the opposite bank of the Yangtze.

CHANGSHA, March 31st. General Li Tsai Hsin and Chen Ming Shih have arrived from Hanchow, probably having been sent by Marshal Chiang Kai Shek to represent his views at the conference.

NANKING, March 31st. Large numbers of troops arrived from Shanghai by train. About 7,800 have crossed over to Pukow.

HANKOW, March 31st. A number of troops have gone by rail to Honan.

PACT TO OUTLAW WAR.

THE FRENCH REPLY.

MUST BE UNIVERSAL.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, April 1st. The French reply to the American proposal of a multi-lateral pact to outlaw war has been handed to Mr. Kellogg. It agrees to join with the United States in communicating to the German, British, Italian and Japanese Governments the whole Franco-American correspondence on this subject, accompanied by a draft pact.

M. Briand, in waiving the limitation scope of the pact to wars of aggression, stipulates that the pact must be universal. If one signatory does not keep faith all the others are released from their engagement towards the breaker of the pact.

Renunciation of war shall not exclude the signatories from the right of legitimate defence. The pact shall not replace nor detract from anterior obligations such as the League Covenant, Locarno Agreements and Neutrality Guarantee Treaties.

The pact shall not operate until universally accepted, unless the participants otherwise agree, providing the abstaining states are not exposed to the possibility of political conflict with any of the contracting states.

PARIS COMMUNISTS SENTENCED.

ANTI-MILITARIST ARTICLES.

INTERVIEW WITH MARSHAL FOCH.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARIS, April 1st. The Communist deputies, Marty, Duclos, and Chalamus, were sentenced to four years, three years and two years imprisonment respectively. Two contributors to *Humanité* were fined in connection with anti-militarist articles appearing in the newspaper.

Marty is already in the Sainte prison. Duclos, who is missing, has a previous sentence overhanging him. The articles on account of which Marty was charged took the form of a letter to Marshal Foch, referring to an interview purporting to be with Foch which appeared in a London newspaper.

THE EGYPTIAN TREATY.

SAFETY OF FOREIGNERS.

BRITAIN'S RESPONSIBILITY.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, April 1st. It is learned that the Egyptian Government's reply to the final British note after the rejection of the draft Anglo-Egyptian Treaty, while expressing a desire for a friendly Anglo-Egyptian understanding, objects to the so-called interference in the internal affairs of Egypt.

It states the Egyptian Government's willingness to ensure the safety of foreigners but disregards the Declaration of 1922 with its four reserved points and Britain's note to the Powers undertaking responsibility for safeguarding foreign interests in Egypt.

In view of the rejection of the treaty Britain now returns to strict observance of her responsibilities under the 1922 declaration, including the protection of foreigners.

CANADIAN PREMIER'S EXPLANATION.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

OTTAWA, March 31st. Mr. Mackenzie King said that his statement on the Anglo-Egyptian Treaty referred to the original pact containing no limitation regarding the parts of the Empire to which it might apply. The Canadian Government intimated that it did not object to Britain entering such an agreement, but could not recommend that the treaty should be applicable to Canada.

A despatch was received later intimating that the treaty would be limited to Britain and North Ireland.

Mr. King hoped his explanation would remove any possibility of difference between the British Government and Canada.

SHIP BUILDING CONFERENCE.

AN INDEPENDENT CHAIRMAN.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 31st. An important development which completes the machinery for maintaining peace in the shipbuilding industry has been taken by the Shipbuilding Employers' Federation and the shipyard trade unions, who have issued a joint invitation to Mr. MacMillan, the well-known King's Counsel, to be independent chairman at a national conference to be held under the agreement reached last year. Mr. MacMillan has accepted the post.

SIMON COMMISSION.

END OF FIRST STAGE.

CONFIDENCE OF SUCCESS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

BOMBAY, April 1st. Members of the Simon Commission have left for Home at the conclusion of the first stage of the enquiry.

In a farewell message, Sir John Simon said he believed the results of the visit justified the previous hope that their efforts would serve India and meet with a friendly response.

They had established personal contact with all committees and classes in the various parts of India. Sir John stressed the necessity for patience and sympathy. They were leaving with renewed confidence of the ultimate success of the mission.

Representatives of all classes went to wish them farewell and there were no counter demonstrations.

BATTLE WITH SCYTHES.

FARMERS ROUT THE POLICE.

MANY ARRESTS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

TOKYO, April 1st. More than one hundred arrests have followed a clash between three hundred tenant farmers and thirty police at Momogun, North Japan, in which there was a number of casualties. The clash was the outcome of a dispute about the repayment of rent with the leading land owner.

The police attempted to frustrate an attack upon the land owner's house and a conflict ensued. The farmers were fighting with spears, scythes and other agricultural implements, and the police were using swords, but were overcome by numerical superiority. The crowds then stripped the wounded police of their swords, caps and badges, and returned to headquarters singing radical songs and carrying red flags and banners with radical inscriptions.

THE POLAR FLIGHT.

AIRMEN'S AUDIENCE WITH THE POPE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

ROME, April 1st. The Pope gave an audience to General Nobile and handed him an oak cross to a drop over the Pole. General Nobile presented the other members of the expedition. [It is General Nobile's intention to fly over the North Pole in the Italian dirigible *Italia*.]

AMERICAN BOMB OUTRAGE.

SEVEN HURT.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

NEW YORK, April 1st. A bomb exploded and wrecked the three top floors of a 17-storey building, injuring seven garment workers. The police consider that the explosion was owing to labour troubles.

COL. LINDBERGH.

WORLD FLIGHT DENIED.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

ST. LOUIS, April 1st. Col. Lindbergh, prior to leaving for San Diego, categorically denied that he was contemplating a flight round the world or across the Pacific.

IMMIGRATION CONFERENCE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

HAVANA, April 1st. Fifty nations were represented at the opening of the International Conference of Emigration and Immigration.

OBITUARY.

SWISS EX-PRESIDENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

GENEVA, April 1st. The death is announced of Gustave Ador, President of the International Red Cross, and ex-President of Switzerland, at the age of 83.

PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

DELAWARE, Ohio, March 31st. Senator Frank B. Willis, candidate for the Republican nomination to the Presidency, died suddenly in the ante room of a hotel where a crowd of 2,000 was waiting to hear his campaign speech.

THE "ROYAL OAK" COURT MARTIAL.

INCIDENTS ON BOARD THE FLAG SHIP.

ADMIRAL'S ANNOYANCE WITH THE BAND.

LETTERS OF THE CAPTAIN AND COMMANDER.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

The Court Martial of Captain Dewar and Commander Daniel, arising out of incidents on board the *Royal Oak* at Malta, opened on board the *Eagle* at Gibraltar on Saturday. In the course of the sitting, which was ultimately adjourned until to-day, the letters of Captain Dewar and Commander Daniel were read, and the causes of disagreement between them and the Admiral were revealed.

Rear-Admiral Collard is alleged by both defendants to have spoken his mind with a considerable degree of freedom and publicity. Rear-Admiral Collard himself was not prepared to accept the accounts of the defendants.

GIBRALTAR, March 31st. The court-martial of Commander Daniel opened with impressive scenes. As the captains forming the Court, dressed in frock coats, epaulettes, cocked hats and gold laced sword belts left their ships to arrive on H.M.S. *Eagle* each was piped aboard.

Commander Daniel, frock-coated and cocked-hatted, arrived at nine in the morning accompanied by his "friend," the American barrister, Mr. Day Kimball, followed shortly by Captain Dewar and then Rear-Admiral Collard who was an impressive figure with a row of decorations as he mounted the gangway of the *Eagle*, at the foot of which the photographers were very busy.

The Letter. Captain Burgess Watson presided at the Court Martial consisting of eight captains. The proceedings opened with the deputy Judge-Advocate reading the warrant convening the court and then the charges, to which Commander Daniel pleaded "not guilty."

The public seats were occupied chiefly by uniformed officers. No women were present. The Judge-Advocate quoted from a letter to Capt. Dewar in connection with which Commander Daniel is charged, and which describes the circumstances of Admiral Collard's landing at Malta from the *Royal Oak*.

The letter referred to a "great commotion on the quarterdeck owing to the Admiral's anger" and alleged that Admiral Collard declared he was "fed up with the ship."

Discipline Suffers. Commander Daniel in the letter expressed the opinion that the morale of the ship suffered and discipline was endangered by the incidents and added "all the officers are deeply resentful of the humiliation to which their ship and captain are subjected," declaring "apologies would serve no useful purpose."

The letter concluded by saying that Commander Daniel himself had not suffered but considered it would be cowardice not to report the matter. The reading by the prosecution of Commander Daniel's letter to Capt. Dewar, which is the basis of the charges, showed that when Rear-Admiral Collard required a boat to leave the *Royal Oak* on March 28th, Commander Daniel ordered the starboard accommodation ladder to be prepared. He had previously enquired and ascertained that there was no choice of sides, owing to the roughness of the sea and Rear-Admiral Collard's wish that the target should not be damaged.

Admiral Furious. Commander Daniel was summoned to the Admiral's presence and found him furious because the port accommodation ladder was not ready. He ordered Commander Daniel to see to it himself.

The disembarkation was effected without damage and Commander Daniel subsequently learned that the Admiral told Capt. Dewar in a rude voice in the presence of seamen that he was fed up with the ship.

Commander Daniel in a letter dwelt on the serious harm of such incidents, adding that on a previous occasion great pains were necessary to restore respect for the Admiral. Commander Daniel said that on March 5th had a serious effect on discipline and morale.

Commander Daniel said an assurance was urgently necessary that discipline must not be undermined in this way.

Contrary To Regulations. The Prosecutor submitted that Commander Daniel's criticism of the conduct and possible future conduct of Rear-Admiral Collard was subversive to discipline and contrary to regulations. He added that on March 10th Commander Daniel assembled the officers in the Wardroom and informed them that a court of enquiry would be held. He read the Wardroom a letter, which he said Capt. Dewar had written regarding Rear-Admiral Collard's conduct. He asked who could give evidence to substantiate the charges in it, and then read his own letter.

Rear-Admiral Collard gave evidence that he took ashore the letter from Commander Daniel which accompanied the letter from Capt. Dewar and handed them to the Vice-Admiral.

In cross-examination he said he read the letter carefully and agreed that it was a serious matter concerning him personally.

Question Disallowed. The Judge-Advocate disallowed the question by Mr. Kimball on the ground that Admiral Collard's conduct was irrelevant to the charges against Commander Daniel. Mr. Kimball said that the Court Martial had granted the request of Commander Daniel, but its whole purpose would be defeated if such questions were disallowed. The court decided that Admiral Collard's conduct was irrelevant but admissible.

The Judge-Advocate read Capt. Dewar's letter in which he expressed extreme reluctance to criticize a superior but felt it his duty when discipline was undermined. He referred to a remark of Admiral Collard regarding the ship's band to the effect that he never heard such a bloody band and described the bandmaster in the most opprobrious terms.

The letter complained that Admiral Collard remarked that the *Royal Oak* was not fit to be an Admiral's flagship: he was treated worse than a midshipman and could not get his bloody orders obeyed.

The Jazz Band. Rear-Admiral Collard, cross-examined again, said that guests complained of the abominable playing of the band. He asked the bandmaster, who was apparently half asleep and out of earshot of anyone, what was wrong and told him it was a bloody awful noise. The bandmaster expressed his regret. He told Capt. Dewar it was disgraceful to have a lot of ladies sitting out the dances and Commander Daniel had got to do his job about it.

Bandmaster's Offer. Capt. Dewar's letter also said that the band was unreasonably dismissed. The jazz band was removed despite Capt. Dewar's protest, and the Admiral said the bandmaster must be sent home. The bandmaster the next day asked to be permitted to resign from the service and sacrifice his position in an effort to restore the Admiral's prestige.

This succeeded until the incident on March 5th. When Rear-Admiral Collard returned to the ship on March 6th, he indignantly insulted him in the presence of numerous officers and men.

General Satisfaction. Rear-Admiral Collard in his evidence said that he told the bandmaster that he must improve matters, and subsequently told Commander Daniel that the bandmaster would have to go, but he never used the alleged epithet to his face. The matter was subsequently thrashed out, and settled to the general satisfaction.

He denied the accuracy of the account given by Capt. Dewar with reference to the disembarkation incident on March 5th. He rebuked Capt. Dewar on that occasion out of anybody's hearing, and duly rebuked the quartermaster on the following day.

The cross-examination lasted 24 hours. Vice-Admiral Kelly was among the prosecution witnesses. Later Mr. Kimball began his address to the Court for Commander Daniel and pleaded justification. The Court was adjourned until April 2nd.

THE WEEK-END SPORT.

Cricket, Local and Home Football, Baseball, Kwan-i Easter Meeting, Yachting, Boxing, Queen's College Sports, etc.

KWANTI EASTER MEETING.

EASTER DAY WINS FANLING GRAND NATIONAL.

SCOTS GUARDS DAY OUT.

[By RAPIER.]

The enthusiasts who gathered at Kwanti on Saturday afternoon were rewarded by witnessing some excellent sport. The going was a bit grubby but strange to say there were no spills. San Diego did not turn out in the Fanling Grand National and Easter Day accordingly started favourite. In any case was a name like that at an Easter Meeting it would be sure to be well backed. Erskine rode the winner and Usher, had three wins so that four out of the five races went to the 2nd Batt. of the Scots Guards. Messrs. Mackie and Sutton acted as Judges and Lieut. Col. Hall Brutton officiated as Starter while Dr. Pierce Grove was, as usual, at the helm. Everything went very smoothly thanks to the excellent work of the officials. It was rather a sporting effort of Mr. Fischer to bring down his pony Solitaire from Canton as he had no idea what the course was like. He is apparently one of a band of keen riders at Tung Shan and we hope to have the pleasure of seeing more of them.

THE RACING.

Macno Beauty, my tip for the first race, was made favourite in a field of six and he justified the confidence of his backers by beating Waichow by 2 lengths after a good fight in the straight.

There were five starters in the next race with my selection Moggli again favourite. Blotting Paper was the danger most of the way round and kept up till the last two jumps when Moggli went ahead to win without difficulty. There was a fine struggle for third place between Drake and Pekin the latter winning by a head.

The big race attracted 8 ponies with Easter Day well backed and Loch Rannoch second favourite. Erskine made the pace pretty hot at the beginning and Ace of Spades held on gallantly most of the way round but had to give way on the last lap. Easter Day won comfortably and a splendid fight took place between Cavare and Ace of Spades for second place the former getting home by a head.

The result of the fourth race was rather a surprise. James Pigg was made favourite but disappointed badly. Craigavon was next in demand with Seal Tax also well backed. Usher rode a nice race on Seal Tax and left Craigavon behind at the right time with James Pigg taking third place.

The last race did not finish in accordance with expectations. Out of a field of eight Warrington was strongly fancied. Solitaire took the lead and went very well for about five furlongs when his run in the National began to tell and faded away. Warrington and Waichow were well together at the last jump when the latter pony came away with a rush and won by three lengths.

THE OFFICIALS.

Patron.—H.E. the Governor, Sir Cecil Clementi, K.C.M.G.
Honorary Stewards.—H.E. Vice-Admiral Sir Reginald Y. Tyrwhitt, Bart., K.C.B., D.S.O., D.C.L. (Oxon), H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., Commodore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G.
Stewards.—Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard, Mr. R. M. Dyer, Mr. L. Dunbar.
In Charge of Cash Sweep and Pari-Mutuel.—Mr. W. E. L. Shenton.
In Charge of Scales.—Mr. F. Sutton.
In Charge of Paddock.—Major H. B. L. Dowbiggin.
Judges.—Mr. H. P. White, Mr. C. G. Mackie.
Starter.—Lieut. Col. G. K. Hall Brutton.
Aggriper.—Mr. F. Sutton.
Joint Masters.—Mr. H. Birkett, Dr. F. Pierce Grove.
Clerk of the Course.—Dr. F. Pierce Grove.

THE RESULTS.

Race 1.—Maiden Plate:
About 1½ Miles.
1st prize \$20; 2nd prize \$20.
Mr. Usher's Macno Beauty, 157 lbs. (Owner) 1.
Mr. Hec Cheong's Waichow, 145 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 2.
Mr. Crabbe's Gold Medal, 153 lbs. (Mr. Erskine) 3.
Also ran: Mr. Pierce Grove's Little River, 154 lbs. (Mr. Elliott); Mr. Miller's Scooter, 148 lbs. (Owner); Col. Hayley Bell's Shady Joe, 172 lbs. (Owner).
Won by three quarters of a length; many lengths between second and third.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$6.50.
Places: 1st, \$2.50; 2nd, \$1.10; 3rd, \$0.70.
Winner Places:
Macno Beauty..... 14
Gold Medal..... 10
Scooter..... 4
Shady Joe..... 2
Waichow..... 1
Little River..... 0

Race 2.—Lightweight Foxhunter's Cup:
About 1½ Miles.
For a cup presented by Mr. W. L. Stanton. 2nd prize \$20.
Mr. Usher's Moggli, 160 lbs. (Owner) 1.
Mr. Watson's Blotting Paper, 160 lbs. (Mr. Miller) 2.
Mr. Barnes' Pekin, 159 lbs. (Owner) 3.
Also ran: Dr. Durrant's Drake, 151 lbs. (Owner); Mr. Maas's More Better, 160 lbs. (Mr. Morgan).
Won by many lengths; many lengths between second and third.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$6.40.
Places: 1st, \$2.40; 2nd, \$0.30.
Winner Places:
Moggli..... 76
Blotting Paper..... 21
More Better..... 6
Pekin..... 13

Race 3.—Fanling Grand National Handicap:
About 2½ Miles.
For a challenge cup to be held by winner for one year. 2nd prize, \$40; 3rd prize, \$20.
Mr. Erskine's Easter Day, 162 lbs. (Owner) 1.
Mr. Maas's Cavare, 157 lbs. (Mr. Morgan) 2.
Mr. Shillington's Ace of Spades, 158 lbs. (Owner) 3.
Also ran: Messrs. Dyer, Beth's Loch Rannoch, 157 lbs. (Mr. Reid); Mr. Fischer's Solitaire, 156 lbs. (Owner); Mr. Hec Cheong's Man of War, 150 lbs. (Mr. Charles); Mr. Anderson's Yorks, 148 lbs. (Mr. Elliott); Mr. Backhouse's Sheila, 143 lbs. (Owner).
Won by many lengths; a length between second and third.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$8.60.
Places: 1st, \$2.10; 2nd, \$0.60; 3rd, \$0.70.
Winner Places:
Easter Day..... 85
Loch Rannoch..... 33
Ace of Spades..... 17
Man of War..... 13
Cavare..... 3
Solitaire..... 3
Sheila..... 0

Race 4.—James Pigg Cup:
About 1½ Miles.
For a cup presented by "Mr. James Pigg." 2nd prize \$20.
Mr. Crabbe's Seal Tax, 169 lbs. (Mr. Usher) 1.
Mr. Potts's Craigavon, 178 lbs. (Owner) 2.
Mr. Macnamara's James Pigg, 178 lbs. (Mr. Erskine) 3.
Also ran: Dr. Drummond's Moray's Abercrombie, 168 lbs. (Mr. Miller); Mr. Macnamara's Lord Scampardale, 168 lbs. (Mr. Barne); Col. Hayley Bell's Shady Joe, 169 lbs. (Owner).
Won by many lengths; two lengths between second and third.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$24.50.
Places: 1st, \$5.10; 2nd, \$5.10; 3rd, \$5.10.
Winner Places:
James Pigg..... 89
Craigavon..... 51
Seal Tax..... 32
Abercrombie..... 3
Lord Scampardale..... 2
Shady Joe..... 1

Race 5.—Consolation Race:
About Seven Furlongs.
1st prize, \$50; 2nd prize, \$20.
Mr. Hec Cheong's Waichow, 149 lbs. (Mr. Harriman) 1.
Mr. Crabbe's Warrington, 153 lbs. (Mr. Usher) 2.
Mr. Miller's Scooter, 153 lbs. (Owner) 3.
Also ran: Dr. Anderson's Honey-moon, 155 lbs. (Mr. Backhouse); Mr. Barnes' Pekin, 159 lbs. (Owner); Dr. Pierce Grove's Ring River, 155 lbs. (Mr. Elliott); Mr. Fischer's Solitaire, 153 lbs. (Owner); Mr. Stuart's Two Step, 155 lbs. (Mr. Morgan).
Won by three lengths; many lengths between second and third.
Pari-mutuel:—
Winner: \$15.
Places: 1st, \$5.00; 2nd, \$5.00; 3rd, \$0.60.
Winner Places:
Waichow..... 42
Gold Medal..... 10
Scooter..... 4
Shady Joe..... 2
Waichow..... 1
Little River..... 0

Warrington	Winner Places
Waichow	42
Siang River	31
Two Step	6
Scooter	18
Solitaire	3
Pekin	3
Honey-moon	1

THE CASH SWEEPS.

WINNING NUMBERS.
The results of the ordinary \$3 cash sweeps on each race were:—
Race I.
No. 17..... \$107.50
21..... 30.80
18..... 13.40
Unplaced runners (10 each) Nos. 5, 30, 42.
Race II.
No. 15..... \$152.60
9..... 43.80
45..... 21.80
Unplaced runners (\$10 each) Nos. 5, 16.
Race III.
No. 21..... \$147.70
32..... 42.30
8..... 21.10
Unplaced runners (\$10 each) Nos. 45, 42, 12, 40, 50.
Race IV.
No. 6..... \$106.00
59..... 50.00
27..... 29.00
Unplaced runners (\$10 each) Nos. 52, 44, 39.
Race V.
No. 9..... \$217.00
79..... 62.00
33..... 31.00
Unplaced runners (\$10 each) Nos. 13, 18, 7, 22, 37.

DOLLAR SWEEP ON GRAND NATIONAL.
The prizes in the one dollar "A" cash sweep on the third race were:
No. 7036..... \$4,004.00
5314..... 1,144.00
522..... 1,722.00
Unplaced runners (\$60.40 each) Nos. 87, 43, 8560, 7300, 8409, 5052.

THE GRAND NATIONAL.
A SENSATIONAL RACE.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]
LONDON, March 30th.
One of the most thrilling and most sensational races ever witnessed at Aintree was the Grand National Steeplechase run to-day. The record field of 42 met with disaster after disaster and only two finished the course, the result being:—
Mr. Kenyon's Tipperary Tim (Dutton) 1.
Mr. Howard Bruce's Billy Barton 2.
The winner figured in the betting at 100/1, while the second was 33/1. A huge cosmopolitan crowd saw the amazing race, including the King and Queen of Afghanistan, and thousands of Americans, some of whom phoned direct to America the news of the American horse, Billy Barton, who fell at the last fence when leading, but was remounted, and gained second place. The going was heavy.

A Lucky Double.
At one of the obstacles, two dozen horses were held up owing to loose horses dashing to and fro in front of the fence, but fortunately there were no casualties.
Following the Lincolnshire Handicap, the result was a wonderful turn-up for the bookmakers, but there was at least one happy backer in London, who coupled the winners of the two Classics at 21,000 to half-a-crown.
In addition to sending thousands of words of description of the sensational race by wireless telephone, the Americans did the Grand National in sumptuous style.

American Invasion.
It is estimated that no fewer than 10,000 Americans have come to England to witness the Grand National and the Varsity Boat Race. Many of them were on special trips which only permitted a few hours' stay in England. The Mersey was full of luxurious liners which served as hotels for a great many.
A new air-service was inaugurated at Croydon, from Croydon to Aintree and return, a distance of 40 miles at 28 p.p. trip. Five huge planes were placed on the service, and departed from London at 10 a.m., re-arriving at Croydon at 6.15 p.m.
Dutton, the rider of the winner, is a young Chester solicitor.

PHIL SCOTT'S OPPONENT.
[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]
New York, March 31st.
Phil Scott, has signed an agreement to meet the giant Italian, Roberto Roberti, at Maiden Square Garden on May 11th.

CRICKET.

ONLY ONE GAME PLAYED.

Owing to the rainy weather on Saturday only one game was played. The University 2nd played the "Rest" of the Second Division League and lost by eight wickets. All other games were postponed, including the University 1st XI (the Senior winners) v. the "Rest" of the League.

SECOND DIVISION.

UNIVERSITY v. "THE REST."

Playing on the Club de Recreo ground at King's Park, Kowloon, the champions of the Second Division, the University, met a team from the "Rest." The "Rest" won by eight wickets. Batting first the University went down badly before G. Lee, of the K.C.C., who took six wickets for only five runs. S. M. Hale, taking the remaining four wickets for 24 runs. The "Rest" had little difficulty in passing their opponents' total and for the loss of two wickets. H. A. Alves who went in first made the highest score with 25 runs not out. F. H. Carvalho also contributed 13 runs. The scores were:—
University 2nd XI.
H. T. Barma, c Greenaway..... 0
b Lee..... 0
F. S. Chen, c Hill, b Hale..... 8
A. Chan Fook, b Hale..... 0
M. B. Osman, b Hale..... 0
B. N. Sudan, b Hale..... 0
A. B. Suliman, b Lee..... 10
A. Baker, b Lee..... 3
C. F. Remedios, not out..... 3
H. T. Loke, b Lee..... 0
B. H. Schroter, b Lee..... 0
G. E. Yeoh, b Lee..... 0
Extras..... 8
Total..... 41
Bowling Analysis.
Hale..... 13 3 24 4
Alexander..... 7 3 4 0
Lee..... 5 4 2 6

"The Rest."
H. A. Alves, not out..... 25
C. F. Alexander, b Sudan..... 4
F. H. Carvalho, b Chan Fook 13
S. M. Hale, not out..... 4
Extras..... 2
Total (for 2 wickets)..... 48
M. F. Pinna, D. F. Lopes, E. R. A. Hill, H. E. Strange, A. R. F. Raven, G. Lee, S. Sgt. Greenaway did not bat.
Bowling Analysis.
Sudan..... 6 0 19 1
Chan Fook..... 4 0 21 1
Baker..... 1 0 6 0

LAWN TENNIS.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

The following are the matches down for decision to-day in the Hong Kong Cricket Club Tournament:—
Open Singles.
3rd Round:—E. C. Fincher v. S. E. Green; Very Rev. A. Swann v. Major W. B. Stevenson; A. H. Crook v. H. Yoshida.
Open Doubles.
2nd Round:—Ho Wai Hing and Chan So v. T. Honda and T. Akizawa; Ng See Kwong and Ng See Cheung v. Lee Wai Tai and Lee Woon Tai; J. M. de Silva and F. Remedios v. Y. Sajiki and T. Isomura.
Handicap Singles "A."
W. D. Fiddes Wilson (rec. 5/6) v. O. C. Womack (rec. 5/6).
Handicap Doubles.
C. H. Bradley and Major C. Wilson (rec. 15/1) v. A. D. Humphreys and G. R. Sayer (rec. 15/1).
W. B. Connolly and A. Finney (rec. 3/6) v. W. A. Nowers and E. D. Lawrence (rec. 5/6).
Mixed Doubles.
Dr. and Mrs. Craig (rec. 15/1) v. Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Stark (rec. 2/6).

HOCKEY.

H.K.H.C. v. H.K.S.R.A.

On U.S.R.C. ground on Wednesday at 5.15 p.m. H.K.H.C. v. H.K.S.R.A. Howel, Farquharson, Lyon, Lloyd, Dand (Capt.), Mitchell, Slipper, Wheeler, Lawrence, Woodward, Whitley.

H.K.H.C. 2nd XI v. K.O.S.B.
The following will represent the Club 2nd XI to-morrow at King's Park at 6 p.m. in the match with the K.O.S.B.—F. S. Nicholas, R. R. Todd, J. E. Henry, L. A. R. Duncan (Capt.), J. P. Murray, A. N. Ocker, L. P. Thomas, A. C. Russell, T. Whitley, B. V. Sampson, W. A. Nowers.

LOCAL FOOTBALL.

HONG KONG CHINESE DEFEAT MALAYAN CHINESE.

KEEN AND SPORTING GAME.

NOTES ON SATURDAY'S MATCHES.

Yesterday on the H.K.F.C. ground, the Hong Kong, and Malaya Chinese teams met in their first Interport game, Hong Kong winning by three goals to two. The game was contested at a fast pace throughout and although at the end Malaya were a goal down, they fought to the last minute to turn the game in their favour. A large crowd witnessed the game, the slopes on Leighton Hill being crowded with Chinese while all the houses overlooking the playing field was studded with Chinese spectators. Two handsome trophies were on view. These were brought to Hong Kong by the Malaya team. One being for Interport Competition, the other for competition among the Hong Kong Chinese teams. The trophy for the Interport game was presented in 1923 by the Ho Ho Biscuit Factory, Ltd., at Singapore for Interstate competition in the Straits Settlements but has now been set aside for Interport games. The other trophy has been presented by the present Malaya team.

The teams paraded the ground headed by the Chung Sing band. This band also played selections on the field before the kick off and during the interval.

The teams lined out as under:—
Malaya—Ah Keng; Cheok Wah and Chiang Seng; Poh Kiat, Boon Lay and Zuck Boon; P. Young, Chan Hoe, Young Liang, Wah Cheng and Keng Pak.

Hong Kong—Pau Ka Ping (China Athletic); Ng Kum Chuen and Lai Yuk Tat (China Athletic); Leung Wing Tak (South China); Wong Shui Wah and Lam Yuk Ying (China Athletic); Tso Kwai Shing and Lai Wai Koon (China Athletic); Fung King Cheong (South China); Sun Kum Shun and Chan Kwong Lu (China Athletic).
Referee: Mr. Ip Kau Ko.

The game opened at a fast pace, Malaya forcing a corner. The opening play was very even, each goal being visited in turn. Liang, leader of the visitors' attack, was always a dangerous man when in possession, and he was carefully watched. His first shot almost got home for he sent in one that had Pau Ka Ping beaten but the shot struck the post and came out to Wong Shui Wah. He was well backed up by Boon Lay who worked hard in the pivotal position. Give and take play followed for the first twenty minutes. A centre from Young was met by Keng Pak and the latter put into the net but was ruled offside. About five minutes later, Hong Kong took the lead during a mix up in the goal area following a corner kick. Fung King Cheong sending the ball into the net from close range.

This success bucked up Hong Kong and in the next minute, Sun Kum Shun was led in and he scored with a fast rising shot.
Malaya were not beaten and they tried hard to reduce the lead but at the interval they were two down.
The second half opened with Hong Kong pressing but after a counter-attack from Malaya Hong Kong went further ahead. Tso Kwai Shing, landing in the roof of the net, the goalie having no chance.
Malaya were attacking again and from a centre by Keng Pak, Liang headed a fine goal which was well applauded. Again taking up the attack, Lai Yuk Tat handed in the penalty area and Liang beat Pau Ka Ping from the spot kick.
Being only one down, Malaya went down from the centre kick and a goal seemed certain when Liang sent outside the posts. The closing minutes found the teams struggling, Malaya to level up and Hong Kong defending strongly. The final whistle sounded with Hong Kong winners of the first soccer Interport game by the odd goal in five. The visitors were a little unlucky in having the first goal disallowed. Had this goal been allowed to count there appears little doubt as to the decision being reversed for Hong Kong played a much better game after they took the lead. A half would probably have been ended then. The game was a sporting one throughout and the losers were not disgraced by the game they played.

SATURDAY'S GAMES.

ARMY BEAT REST OF COLONY.

H.M.S. "CUMBERLAND'S" FIRST APPEARANCE.

Saturday's games resulted as under:—

Charity Game.

Army 2, Rest of Colony 0.

Friendly.

H.M.S. Cumberland 4, Kowloon F.C. 1.

Army v. Rest of Colony.

The early rain of the afternoon kept away many from the open stands at Sookunpoo where a charity game in aid of the Military branch of the M.C.L. was played between teams chosen from the Army and the Rest of the Colony. The Pipe band of the 2nd Scots Guards and the full band of the 1st Queen's Royal Regt. lived the proceedings with selections while the spectators were assembling. The covered stand was well patronised, among those present being H.E. Major-General C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G., Mrs. and Miss Luard. Several changes were made in the "Rest" originally selected team. Wyane, Gosopo, Taylor and Lam Yuk Ying being replaced by Sherry, Omar, Simpson and Leung Yuk Tong.

The teams lined out as under:—

Army.—Anderson (K.O.S.B.); Hirst (Scots Guards) and Martin (K.O.S.B.); Carswell (Scots Guards); Simms (R.A.M.C.) and Hill (Queen's Regt.); Campbell (K.O.S.B.); Aird (Scots Guards); Leach (R.A.), McGinchee and Alexander (K.O.S.B.).

Rest of Colony.—Clarke (H.K. Police); Sherry (H.K. Police) and Bishop (H.K.F.C.); McBride (H.K. F.C.); McKelvie (Kowloon F.C.) and Leung Yuk Tong (China Athletic); Omar (St. Joseph's), Howarth (H.K. Police), Simpson (H.K.F.C.), Sun Kum Shun and Chan Kwong Lu (China Athletic).

Referee: Mr. W. E. Holland. Linemen: Mr. H. M. McTavish (H.K.F.C.) and Pipe-Major Mackie (K.O.S.B.).

The Army, after some even play, attacked strongly and with the wind in their favour, the Rest's defence was hard pressed. A mistake by Sherry with Leach close up, opened the score for the Army. The Army continued to press but the state of the ground and the high wind made shooting erratic. McKelvie and Bishop were prominent in the Rest's defence, while Clarke was in goal. McGinchee and Leach were always dangerous when in possession and McBride had a busy afternoon. The Rest's forwards were very unsteady in front of goal.

With a good middle line, several chances were offered but misunderrstanding close in kept the Rest out. McKelvie gave Anderson his hardest shot of the first half, but the K.O.S.B. goalie had plenty of time to clear. At the interval, the Army were leading by a goal to nil.

Rain fell during the interval and when the game resumed the players found the ball hard to control while the playing pitch was very dangerous. The Army suited themselves better to the conditions and Clarke was early defending from Leach. McKelvie got the ball away but Omar failed to get his centre over before he was beaten by Martin.

Clarke cleared from Alexander and Aird and offside by Campbell relieved. A chance to Howard was given by McKelvie, but the Police forward shot wide. The Army went further ahead when Leach turned a centre from Campbell well out of Clarke's reach. Another chance for the Rest was missed by Simpson.

The final whistle sounded with the Army leading by two goals to nil.

*Ticket No. 230 won the ball presented by Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Ltd.

FRIENDLY.

H.M.S. "Cumberland" v. K.F.O.

The team from H.M.S. Cumberland made their initial soccer appearance locally on the Kowloon F.C. ground against the home team. They were successful by four goals to one. Kowloon were without McKelvie, Sims and Angus, but Slipper, Bing and Vickers were good substitutes. Kowloon scored first.

(Continued on next column.)

BASEBALL.

"PITTSBURG" TEAM WINS TWO GAMES.

ALL HONG KONG BLANKED OUT.

[By HONOLULU KID.]

The hard hitting nine from the U.S. Pittsburgh pulled off two wins over the week-end. On Saturday a team from the U.S.S. Henderson went down to the flagship by one run and yesterday the "All Hong Kong" nine fared no better. They were walloped to the tune of seven runs to love.

Langley, pitched an excellent game for the Pittsburgh's crew and it was entirely due to his twirling that the local players were blanked out in all the seven stanzas. The batting average of the visitor also showed up well. It was a slogging affair throughout.

Lee and Zafra making up the battery for the local team did excellent work and thanks to them the score was kept down. The visitors were blanked out in the first canto. In the second, Worthington slogged one over short for three sacks. He brought Horton home from the second bag. Shaw made the home circuit in the third frame with a dandy bingle to left field. In the fourth inning James stole home from third base. Two more runs were piled up by the visitors in the sixth through Nealon hitting out to right field. The local fielders thinking that the ball was outside the foul line did not trouble to retrieve it, and when they found that it was a fair ball, it was too late to stop Nealon who had by this time circled the three plates, incidentally bringing Swafford home.

The line ups and scores were as follows:

Pittsburgh	All Hong Kong
Langley	p. S. L. Lee
Nealon	a. Alves
Shaw	c. Kusanu
Venable	c. Zafra
Griffith	i. f. D. Chinn
Horton	2b S. Hachiuma
Worthington	3b Y. Hachiuma
James	r. C. Wong
Swafford	1b Leonard

SCORE BY INNINGS:

Pittsburgh..... 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Total

Hong Kong..... 0 2 1 0 1 2 7

Hong Kong..... 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

"Pittsburgh" Defeat "Henderson."

The Pittsburgh's outfit secured another victory when they played a crack ball team from the U.S.S. Henderson on Saturday at the Caroline Hill.

The game was fast and even. The winners left the field with only one run ahead of the Henderson's nine. For the winners Tochico twirled an excellent game.

The first two cantos resulted in a blank, but the Henderson's crowd drew first blood through Mitchell who bingled out for a two bagger. He sauntered home when Robins hit a fly.

The impregnable Pittsburghers did not score until the fifth frame, when they brought three men back to the home plate. With bases full, James took up the willow and with a mighty swing over right field, he brought in Robertson, Tochico and Newhand.

The line-ups and scores were as follows:

Henderson	Pittsburgh
Newhand	c. Langley
Mulky	r. f. Nealon
Payne	i. f. Shaw
Mitchell	c. Venable
Robins	a. Griffith
Barber	2b Reynolds
Hagan	1b Robertson
Shroder	3b Nicholson
Barron	p. Tochico

Umpires Ho and Miller (Pittsburgh).

Substitutes:—Hodge (Henderson); James and Swafford (Pittsburgh).

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 Total

Henderson..... 0 1 0 0 0 1 2

Pittsburgh..... 0 0 0 0 3 0 3

Tiernan beating Bowles in the sailors' goal. Before the interval, Mann scored for the sailors, the teams crossing over with the score one all.

The second half went in favour of the sailors and although they failed to convert from a penalty, they scored three times without reply from the home team. The sailors' second goal was a lucky one the ball plunging in after striking the upright. Mann scored the third goal following good work by McLeod. Jones working in from the tight beat Slipper with a fast cross shot and the final whistle sounded with the score, H.M.S. Cumberland 4, Kowloon F.C. 1.

HOME FOOTBALL RESULTS.

CHELSEA LOSE LEADERSHIP OF SECOND DIVISION LEAGUE.

MANCHESTER CITY ON TOP.

Three matches, one in the Southern section and two in the Northern Section of Division III., were postponed in an otherwise full programme in the English and Scottish Leagues on Saturday.

Huddersfield and Sheffield United, who have still to decide which of them shall meet Blackburn Rovers in the final of the F.A. Cup, both won their League fixtures, while West Ham defeated Blackburn Rovers by a narrow margin. Derby, at home, beat Cardiff by seven goals to one.

Chelsea lost the premier place in the Second Division League. Manchester City are now leaders with the same number of points but they have two matches in hand and a better goal average. Preston and Leeds United also take precedence over Chelsea on goal average.

In the two sections of Division III., leaders remain the same although Bradford lost to Doncaster. The second highest score of the day was secured by Tranmere who defeated Darlington by seven goals to three in the Northern section.

In the Scottish League (Division I.), Motherwell lost to Partick and stand in danger of losing their leadership. Their close rivals are the Rangers and Celtic, Cup finalists, who were in winning form in their League matches.

The results of Saturday's matches, as cable by Reuter, and amended League tables follow:—

ENGLISH LEAGUE.

Division I.
Arsenal 2, Birmingham 2.
Aston Villa 3, Manchester U. 1.
Burnley 3, Newcastle 1.
Bury 2, Huddersfield 3.
Derby 7, Cardiff 1.

Division II.
Leicester 2, Wednesday 2.
Liverpool 1, Middlesbrough 1.
Preston 1, Bolton 0.
Sheffield U. 3, Tottenham 1.
Sunderland 0, Everton 2.
West Ham 4, Blackburn 3.

Division III. (Southern).
Bristol R. 1, Southampton 0.
Hull 1, West Brom 1.
Leeds 4, Blackpool 0.
Manchester C. 0, Clapton O. 3.
Notts. Forest 2, Chelsea 2.
Port Vale 2, Grimsby 2.
Preston 5, Bristol C. 1.
St. Helens 0, Reading 0.
Swansea 1, Stoke 1.
Wolves 3, Oldham 1.

Division III. (Northern).
Accrington 2, Wrexham 0.
Aston 4, Stockport 1.
Bradford C. 2, Rochdale 2.
Crewe 4, Barrow 1.
Darlington 3, Tranmere 7.
Doncaster 2, Bradford 0.
Lincoln 2, Southport 0.
New Brighton 1, Rotherham 1.
Wigan 3, Chesterfield 2.

Two matches were postponed:
Halifax v. Nelson and Hartlepool v. Durham.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE.

Division I.
Aberdeen 3, St. Mirren 2.
Celtic 4, Bo'ness 1.
Cowdenbeath 2, Airdrieonians 1.
Dundee 1, Raith R. 2.
Falkirk 2, Hibernians 2.
Hearts 0, St. Johnstone 2.
Kilmarnock 3, Hamilton 1.
Motherwell 1, Partick T. 1.
Queen's Park 4, Dunfermline 0.
Rangers 3, Clyde 1.

LEAGUE TABLES.

The English League Tables and Scottish League Table (Division I.), up to and including matches completed on Saturday, are appended:

DIVISION I.

P.	W.	D.	L.	F.	A.	Pts.
Huddersfield	13	10	6	8	73	52
Everton	13	11	9	8	60	41
Leicester	13	10	11	7	63	39
Cardiff	13	10	12	6	68	38
Bolton	13	14	9	12	60	37
West Ham	13	12	12	7	73	36
Blackburn	13	12	12	7	73	35
Derby	13	13	9	12	83	31
Portsmouth	13	14	7	14	67	30
Tottenham	13	14	7	15	67	30
Burnley	13	15	5	16	68	30
Newcastle	13	12	12	6	70	34
Birmingham	13	10	14	11	61	33

YACHTING.

RACE FOR PRESENTED CUPS.

SATURDAY'S RESULTS.

Fourteen yachts, divided into three classes, took part in the race for the Presented Cups held at the Royal Hong Kong Yacht Club on Saturday.

The course was Channel Rocks (P.), Cuck Rock Buoy (P.), and Mark on Line, a distance of 8.1 miles.

Results in each of the classes and times were:—

Handicap Class.	Finish- ing	Correct- ed
Diana (1)	4.03.00	4.01.39
Rolla (2)	4.04.32	4.04.32
La Linda (3)	4.10.24	4.06.39
Colleen (4)	4.16.24	4.09.39

One Design and Gull Classes.	Finish- ing	Correct- ed
Pierrette (1)	4.25.45	4.23.23
Joan (2)	4.29.14	4.23.09
Alba (3)	4.39.50	4.36.30
Halcyon (4)	4.39.44	4.36.44
Theda (5)	4.40.50	4.36.42

Keyway Hays Class.	Finish- ing	Correct- ed
Adele (1)	4.30.34	4.30.34
Boojum (2)	4.30.34	4.30.34
Adana (3)	4.33.49	4.33.49
Lola (4)	4.44.02	4.38.38
Wings (5)	4.45.25	4.45.25

THE BOAT RACE.

EASY VICTORY FOR CAMBRIDGE.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

LONDON, March 31st.

The 80th Boat Race, which was rowed on Saturday, was won by Cambridge by the big margin of 10 lengths in 20 mins. 25 secs. Cambridge have now won 39 races to Oxford's 40 with one dead heat.

The King of Afghanistan watched the race from a launch.

Following Wind.

Both sides had a "breather" after some out-testing practice at nine o'clock and came out again at 9.30.

Oxford won the toss and chose the Middlesex station, but a sudden change in the wind somewhat neutralised this advantage.

The water was calm and there was a helping wind when the teams got off at 9.51, Cambridge pulling 3 to Oxford's 36.

Cambridge Lead.

Cambridge had a lead of a quarter-of-a-length at the Duke's Head which was increased to half-length at the mile post. Both crews were then striking 32. The Light Blues led by one-and-a-quarter lengths at Harrods and, drawing rapidly away, made it one-and-a-half at Hammersmith Bridge, increasing the distance to two-and-a-half. At the Doves, however, Oxford had reduced the lead by half-a-length.

Cambridge were three lengths ahead at Chiswick and were were striking 33 to Oxford's 29. By the time the Light Blues had reached Chiswick Steps Oxford had knocked half-a-length off the lead, but Cambridge made it three again when passing Duke's Meadows. Oxford were then rowing raggedly and seemed to be distressed.

Big Margin.

The Light Blues were leading easily at Barnes Bridge and then drew away and passed the winning post 10 lengths ahead. They were then rowing well and showing no signs of distress.

The Better Crew.

The usual animated scenes at the start were enlivened by the presence of a dozen aeroplanes humming overhead.

Cambridge fulfilled anticipations and led from start to finish and revealed great superiority. Oxford were unpolished, laboured, scrappy and completely rowed out, while Cambridge were fresher than any crew in recent years.

The Cambridge times were: Mile post 4 mins. 17 secs. Hammersmith Bridge (where the race was virtually over) 7 mins. 44 secs. Barnes Bridge 17 mins. Finish 20 mins. 25 secs.

H.V.D.C. RIFLE SHOOTING.

RESULTS OF ANNUAL SHOOT.

The Annual Rifle Meeting of the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps took place yesterday at Stonecutters Range. Shooting was fair considering that the wind and the light were not exceptionally good.

Up to the present full details of the shoot are not available, but a detailed report will appear in a later issue. The results were as follows:

The Dyer Cup was won by No. 6 Platoon (Kowloon) with 202 pts. Second, No. 7 Platoon (City) with 169 pts. Third, No. 5 Platoon (Taikoo) with 106 points.

The aggregate prize given by Mr. A. T. Henderson was won by Pte. McLennan (No. 5 Platoon) with 114 points. Sgt. Cuthill and Lance Sgt. F. G. Goodman tied for second place with 113 points. Pte. Boulton (No. 5 Platoon) was third with 110 points.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE SPORTS.

PRIZES DISTRIBUTED BY MRS. LEE HYSAN.

HEADMASTER WINS THE VETERAN'S RACE.

The dull weather did not mar the Annual meeting of the Queen's College Sports held on Saturday at the School's ground at Causeway Bay. The majority of the competitors ran their races, and in spite of the weather the meeting was a success. Ground conditions spoilt any chances of records, but quite good times were established.

The Senior Championship of the College went to Kung Ping Hoi of class C.3B., while the Junior Championship was won by R. M. Azim, of class 3NC.

Mr. Crook, the headmaster of the College won the Veteran's Race, while Mr. Chin Ho Ping, ran a good second being closely challenged by Sgt. Marriott, the boxing instructor of the College.

The prizes were very kindly presented by Mrs. Lee Hysan, who in turn was thanked by Mr. Crook for her presence. Thanks were also extended to the officials for their willing help to make the meeting a success.

Mr. Lee Hysan's Address.

Mr. Lee Hysan then addressed the big gathering and Mr. C. G. Anderson translated his speech. Mr. Lee Hysan impressed upon the boys the big part sport played in their education and the amount of time given by their masters in instructing in this department of education. He concluded by reminding them that they would not do better than keep to the slogan "Play the game all the time."

Class F.3A were presented with the volley ball prize, and class F.2B were runners-up. The "Sir Paul Chai's Cup" for the Hundred Yard's Sprint was presented to Kung Ping Hoi.

The Invitation Relay race resulted in a win for St. Paul's against St. Joseph's, Central British School, King's College, and Wah Yan. Mr. Lai Pui Yan won the Chinese masters' race Mr. Chan Cheuk Wah being second.

Officials.

The officials for the meeting were: President: Mr. A. H. Crook. Entertainment Committee: Mr. Lee Hysan, Mr. C. G. Anderson, Mr. Tse Ching Fong, Mr. J. F. Grose, Mr. W. Kay, and Mr. G. Stubblings.

Starters: Mr. J. C. Fletcher, Mr. M. G. O'Connor, Mr. L. G. Morgan, Mr. C. H. Ho Ping, Mr. C. Chong, Mr. W. L. Handyside, Mr. D. M. Richards, Mr. S. M. Churn, Mr. K. L. Chau, Mr. H. K. Hung, and Mr. Lo Cheung Ip.

Handicappers: Mr. G. W. Reeve, Mr. L. G. Morgan, Mr. Cheung Wai Fung, and Mr. Yuen Kwok Huen.

Time Keepers: Mr. W. Kay, Mr. W. L. Handyside, Mr. Lo Man Hin, Mr. Hung Hing Fat, and Mr. Hung Chi Po.

Scorers: Mr. Chan Cheuk Wah, Mr. A. R. Safford, and Mr. A. R. Abbott.

Clerks of the Course: Sgt. Marriott, and Prefects.

Mr. J. C. Fletcher and Mr. G. W. Reeve, Hon. Secretaries.

THE KIRIN-TUNHUA RAILWAY.

TO BE COMPLETED IN 1928.

JAPANESE SUPPORT.

PEKING, March 19th.

The Kirin-Tunhua Railway, which has been built with Japanese funds amounting to \$15,000,000, will be completed at the end of the year or early next spring and the whole line is 560 1/2 or about 270 miles in length. The line is being built by Sino-Japanese railway engineers with the co-operation of the South Manchuria Railway and General Chang Tso Hsiang, Tungan of Kirin, in view of the importance of the railway as that the vast natural products of Central Manchuria can be exported to foreign markets.

The iron bridge over the Sungari River will be completed within the present month, when construction trains can be run over the whole line; but the formal opening of the railway to traffic will be deferred until next spring.

According to the Sino-Japanese agreement concerning the construction of the Kirin-Tunhua Railway with Japanese loan, which has been floated through the medium of the South Manchuria Railway, the locomotive and traffic departments are under Japanese control while the Chinese Director is Mr. Wei Wu Yin, who is concurrent Director of the Kirin-Changchun Railway.

The agreement for the construction of this line was signed by Mr. Yeh Kung Cho when he was Minister of Communications in 1924 after the second Chihli-Fengtien war in north China, and it was once cancelled by Kuomintang leaders when Feng Yu Hsiang controlled Peking in 1925. But Feng's action was not recognized by Japan as Manchuria was then under Japanese control.

Approved
E. D. C. WOLFE,
Capt. Supt. of Police.

KOWLOON MOTOR BUS SERVICE.

THE Public are hereby notified that the following Time Tables have been approved by the Police Dept. and the Services will be inaugurated on April 1st, 1928.

KOWLOON MOTOR BUS COMPANY.

ROUTE No.	ROUTE	LEAVING STAR FERRY	LEAVING LAI CHI KOK	SERVICE
2.	STAR FERRY TO LAI CHI KOK via Nathan and Tai Po Roads.	6.29 a.m. to 10.49 p.m. Late Buses 11.59 p.m. 11.59 p.m.	6.01 a.m. to 10.31 p.m. Late Buses 12.01 a.m. 12.11 a.m.	Every 10 Minutes
6.	STAR FERRY TO KOWLOON CITY via Nathan and Prince Edward Roads.	5.58 a.m. to 6.38 a.m. 6.38 a.m. to 10.38 p.m. 10.38 p.m. to 12.38 a.m.	5.58 a.m. to 6.38 a.m. 6.38 a.m. to 10.38 p.m. 10.38 p.m. to 12.38 a.m.	Every 10 Minutes " 15 "
8.	STAR FERRY TO KOWLOON TONG via Nathan, Prince Edward and Montague Ede Roads.	6.37 a.m. to 10.57 p.m. 10.57 p.m. to 12.42 a.m.	6.07 a.m. to 10.57 p.m. 10.57 p.m. to 12.17 a.m.	Every 10 Minutes " 15 "
9.	STAR FERRY TO ARGYLE STREET, MONG KOK via Nathan Road (rush hours only) Sundays & Holidays excepted	6.03 a.m. to 9.35 a.m. 1.03 p.m. to 2.35 p.m. 6.03 p.m. to 6.03 p.m.	6.30 a.m. to 9.50 a.m. 1.20 p.m. to 2.50 p.m. 5.20 p.m. to 6.20 p.m.	Every 10 Minutes " " "
10.	STAR FERRY TO KOWLOON CITY via Canton Road, Shanghai Street & Prince Edward Rd.	6.17 a.m. to 9.27 p.m. 9.27 p.m. to 10.03 p.m.	6.04 a.m. to 10.34 p.m.	Every 10 Minutes " 15 "

LAM MING FAN,

Secretary,

Kowloon Motor Bus Co., Ltd.

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Capt. Supt. of Police.

Hong Kong, 28th March, 1928.

BOXING TOURNEY AT LEE THEATRE.

MARINE FRASER WINS WELTERWEIGHT CHAMPIONSHIP.

SILVA'S FIRST DECISIVE VICTORY IN THE COLONY.

AMERICAN SAILORS OUTCLASSSED?

[By BANTAM.]

Saturday night's boxing tournament, under the aegis of the Hong Kong Boxing Association, held at Lee Theatre was rather disappointing on the whole. The main bout between Marine Fraser and Whitey Roberts, of the U.S.S. *Black Hawk*, was below par. Neither contestants showed much ring-craft and it was just a random, slogging affair. Fraser was able to take his medicine better than his opponent and was declared the winner after an uneventful 12 rounds scrap. A draw would have been a more popular verdict.

There was a crowded house, the spectators having been drawn there by the four "International bouts." The three fights in which American sailors featured went to their British opponents, but the stalwart Portuguese sailor, Jose Pintos da Silva managed to secure a win. Silva has a cow-puncher blow and this he used to great advantage at the beginning of the second round. He planted one so firmly on his opponent's face that Saunders had to chuck in the sponge and left the ring nursing a broken jaw.

THE BEST FIGHT.

The fight of the evening, and one of the best that has been seen here for a long time was when Sigm. Shons and A. B. Davies went the full ten rounds in the featherweight class. Both men were evenly matched, in weight and height. It was a thrilling affair right from the start. Neither gave the other a moment's breathing space. Both contestants packed a sledge-hammer blow and used it with telling effects. Davies was the more aggressive of the two, and won a well-deserved decision.

I suggest that Davis, in the next tournament, be matched against L. S. Hall in the light weight class. The latter is only four pounds heavier, and Davies would give him a sterling fight. Hall is wicked in his deliveries and Davies is a dare-devil, so the combination would undoubtedly be one that local boxing fans would give much to see.

RESULTS AT A GLANCE.

Bantamweight.	Jose Pintos da Silva defeated A. B. Saunders, the latter throwing up the sponge in the second round.
Lightweight.	A. B. Davies beat Sigm. Shons in a ten round fight.
Welterweight Championship.	Marine Fraser declared the winner after 12 rounds with Whitey Roberts.
Catchweight.	Marine Smith beat Kid Stephens in a six round fight.

Vahey v. Walters.

The curtain raisers were A. B. Vahey (H.M.S. *Seraph*) 115 lbs., and Stoker Walters (H.M.S. *Hermes*) 122 lbs.

In the first round both men exuded it freely the exchanges being fairly equal. Walters had the advantage in weight and was able to send home several jabs to the face.

The second round saw Walters landing home a few hard ones to his opponent's face but Vahey was very pugnacious, just before the going went.

Walters dealt out a great deal of punishment. In the third round, he sent his man to the board with a straight jab and followed it up with hard punches to the face. Vahey threw up the sponge before the round was over.

Hall v. Red Michener.

L. S. Hall, 135 lbs., of H.M.S. *Titania* met Red Michener (144 lbs.) of U.S.S. *Black Hawk* in the light-weight class.

Red Michener who had the advantage of 9 pounds, did not possess a good defence. He left his face unguarded, and Hall made it a well battered target.

Some hard exchanges were seen in the second round. Hall kept up his good work and registered a clean hit on his opponent's jaw. A clinch followed and when breaking away from Red Michener got home a hook and two blows amidship.

Both men warmed up in the third round. The American was showing plenty of fight, but the British blue-jacket was just as pugnacious as in the two previous rounds. Red scored with his left repeatedly to the face.

Hall scored tremendously in the fourth. The American who was accustomed to one-arm free, was recommended for it on several occasions. Hall sent home two clean jabs and followed with an uppercut. Hall's round.

Hall was marked in the fifth when the American sent home a stinging swing to the left. Hall's eye was cut as a result. Michener was fighting well in this round and repaid what he had received from Hall.

Hall was badly out-fought in the last round. The American landed home two or three clean ones to the face. Hall was accorded, the verdict.

Smith v. Stephens.

In the catchweight class, Marine Smith (H.M.S. *Hermes*) crossed gloves with Kid Stephens (U.S.S. *Black Hawk*). The Britisher scaled 175 lbs. and the Kid weighed in at 166 lbs.

The Kid opened up very impressively. He scored with his left to the face and jaw. He took the whole affair in a very businesslike manner. Smith was game and stuck

In the opening of the sixth, Davies landed two rapid punches to Shons' face. In fighting followed and when breaking away, Davies connected one to the left of his adversary's face. Shons was forcing the fight toward the end. Honour equal.

Round Seven.—Sparring was the feature of the opening of this round, but towards the end Davies sent home one to the jaw, and Shons retaliated with body blows.

Round Eight.—After a rapid exchange in which Shons had the best of it, Davies was floored with a solar plexus. He took a count of nine but on getting up, went hard at his man. Shons' round.

Round Nine.—Shons was forcing the fight in this round. He gave his man no breathing space. The exchanges were fast and furious and in the *melee* Shons had the best of it.

Davies, however, recovered splendidly and was registered several blows to the face and body.

Round Ten.—Both men went for the verdict. Shons received a nasty one on the jaw which almost lifted him off his feet. Shons came back with piston-rod punches to the face and body. Davies toward the end went at his man for all he was worth and secured the victory.

CHAMPIONSHIP BOUT.

Fraser v. Whitey Roberts.

The big fight of the evening was staged after the interval. It was a 12 round contest between Marine Fraser (H.M.S. *Tamar*) and Whitey Roberts (U.S.S. *Black Hawk*) in the Welterweight Championship of the Colony. Both men scaled at 145 lbs.

Round One.—Both men opened cautiously. Roberts was rather slow in his deliveries. There were not many blows exchanged as both contestants were feeling each other. Whitey was content with shooting out his left to the body of his opponent.

Round Two.—The American sent home several solar plexus blows and received several on his face in return. Neither man showed much ring craft.

Round Three.—Fraser did good work at the opening of this round. He connected several to the face. Whitey kept on hammering his opponent's body. Toward the end Fraser again scored to the face. Whitey appeared to be able to stand a great deal of punishment. He was game and kept at his man.

Round Four.—Whitey got his left eye cut and received severe punishment, but toward the end he got home a splendid upper cut.

Round Five.—Fraser kept on landing to the face, and Whitey scored with body punches. His deliveries lacked force, and Fraser's blows to the face were telling.

Round Six.—Fraser was badly beaten at the opening of this round, but he recovered and played havoc with his opponent's face. Whitey's guard was poor and Fraser had an easy job to mark him. Some splendid exchanges were seen.

Round Seven.—Whitey sent home two terrific ones to the Solar plexus. Fraser retaliated with facial punches. Whitey sogged his man badly and Fraser was in difficulty. He held on his man and had the round lasted a little longer, he would have been knocked out.

Round Eight.—Fraser led on points.

Round Nine.—Whitey was again showing very little fight.

Round Ten.—Fraser missed several opportunities and toward the end Whitey scored.

Round Eleven.—Fraser after some sparring got home an upper cut with his left. Toe-to-toe fighting took place in which Whitey got the worst of the exchanges.

Round Twelve.—Whitey did a lot of damage to his man in the last round, but Fraser was able to take his punishment like a game cock.

There was nothing much to choose between the two. Fraser secured the verdict, and Mr. B. M. Dyer fastened the Championship belt on him.

Saunders v. Silva.

The last fight of the evening was a six round contest in the Catchweight class between A. B. Saunders (155 lbs.) H.M.S. *Hermes* and Jose Pintos da Silva (160 lbs.) of Trans-port Peru d'Alequer.

Silva with his usual crouching style put up a splendid defence and scored several hefty ones to the body.

Saunders connected a few to the face and chin, but Silva was so hard that he did not seem to feel them. Silva's round.

Coming up in the second round, Silva swung a wicked left and got his man on the left cheek. This landed. Saunders and incidentally broke down his guard. Silva seized the opportunity and putting all the weight behind it, he delivered a nasty one on his opponent's jaw. Saunders on rising called the fight off. He left the ring with a broken jaw.

WORLD'S CHAMPIONSHIP BOUT.

[REUTERS' AMERICAN SERVICE.]

MIAMI BEACH, April 1st.—Tex Rickard has announced that he has arranged for Tom Heeney to meet Tunney for the world's title in July. The fight will be held either in London or America.

MOSCOW WITHOUT TROTSKY.

THE QUIET LIFE DEEMED A BOON.

GROWING INTEREST IN WINTER SPORTS.

[By ARTHUR RANSOME.]

There is nothing in the aspect of Moscow to suggest to a visitor that the enforced departure of Trotsky, Radek, and others marked a turning-point in the revolution. There is much to suggest that European estimates of the meaning of those expulsions were wrong. Those, for example, who thought that Stalin had turned out Trotsky in order himself to be a good bourgeois were letting their hopes outrun their judgment. In time-honoured fashion the Bolsheviks have obliterated the Opposition while adopting whatever they thought useful from the Opposition programme. The result is that such political movement as there has been is towards the Left, not the Right. In general, it is clear that the suppression of the Opposition was not so much the suppression of their opinions as the suppression of their methods of propaganda.

It is difficult to imagine that the elimination of all the great names of 1917 and 1918 can be without important political effect, but no such effect is at present visible, and if Trotsky were now in Stalin's place I do not believe it would be possible to detect any change of internal or external policy. But once the Opposition had gone so far as to estimate their support in the masses (that they had done this was proved by their demonstration in the November celebrations) they had gone far enough to envisage the possibility of an armed struggle. They had, perhaps unconsciously, gone back to 1917, when first one party, then another, called its supporters into the streets by way of testing its strength and showing, as it were, its fist to its opponents.

The Country's Recreation.

If there is one thing that people who have been through the revolution do not want it is another period of revolution. Nobody in Moscow wants to return to 1917, and consequently, in spite of great sympathy for individual misfortune, there is not the slightest sign of popular active opposition to the banishment of men who had allowed themselves to appear as political Peter Pans. For the sake of a quiet life everybody would be ready to submit to the elimination even of the most generally popular figure in Russia. The newspapers have lost in Radek their liveliest contributor. The congresses have lost in Trotsky the one great orator of the revolution. Deadly dullness has fallen on Russian pamphleteering after the muzzling of these men. But the dullness of pamphlets, meetings, and newspapers does not affect the general work of the country, the business of the streets, the nightly crowds at the theatres, and all that non-political activity which is so surprising to visitors from abroad who know Russia only from telegraphic reports of striking events.

Winter Sport.

At the moment the Moscow public is chiefly interested in the winter sports meeting, skating competitions, and long-distance ski-running.

Groups of competitors starting from all parts of Russia and covering over 30 miles daily are arriving in Moscow to receive a solemn welcome from the members of the Government. One party from the Northern Dvina covered 670 miles in 21 days, ski-running five or six hours daily, another party 340 miles in eight days. Winter sports in the last few years have taken hold of all classes, and numbers of the Soviet People's Commissars are to be seen skating daily amid crowds on the Moscow ponds.

As much space in the newspapers is taken with the reports of corn collection, which, after the adoption of part of the Opposition programme of bringing pressure on the richer peasants, are much more hopeful than they were.

"HAG" PARTY.

BRIDES' COUNTERPART TO BACHELOR PARTY.

Not to be outdone by the bridegroom, who the night before his wedding gives a "bachelor" or "stag" party, the modern bride has determined to give a "Hag" party.

One of the first of these "Hag" parties was given by Miss Ruby Hardings, sister of Viscount Hardings, who was to be married at Holy Trinity, Brompton the following day, to Major Beaumont Nesbitt, and it was she who described the gathering as a "Hag" party.

This eve of the wedding party was to attend a theatre and a dance, but whereas the bridegroom invites mainly his bachelor friends the guests at this "Hag" party were mostly married women.



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TO TAKE OVER ARCHITECTURAL DEPT. OF REALTY AND TRUST COMPANY.

PRINCIPALS' INTERESTING CAREERS.

Notices appear in our advertisement columns to the effect that the Architectural Department of the Hong Kong Realty and Trust Company, Ltd. is being taken over, from April 1st, by Mr. Geo. W. Grey and Mr. J. Bentley Hawker, who will practise in partnership under the firm name of Grey and Hawker. They will have the offices in 'Exchange Building' hitherto occupied by the Architectural Department of the Realty Company, and the members of the Architectural Staff (some of whom had served with the Realty Company since its formation) will be retained.

Mr. Grey has had considerable experience of business, factory and domestic work in Great Britain, and the Colonies, and also a large experience of housing upon Town Planning lines, having been with Dr. Raymond Unwin (now Chief Town Planning Architect to the Ministry of Health in London), when Mr. Unwin was in private practice, and was developing amongst other numerous Town Planning schemes, that of the Hampstead Garden Suburb, the layout of which had probably more influence upon town planning

throughout the world than any other similar scheme. Upon Mr. Unwin giving up private practice, Mr. Grey became Surveyor to the Welsh Housing & Town Planning Trust, Ltd., a Parent Company forming Public Utility Societies, which developed, upon modern Town Planning lines, large areas in both England and Wales.

Mr. Grey is a Fellow of The Surveyors' Institution, a Fellow of the Royal Institute of British Architects, a Member of the Royal Sanitary Institute, and a Member of the Institute of Structural Engineers, and has contributed largely upon constructional and sanitary matters to the Journals of the Professional Societies and to the English and American Technical Press. Mr. Grey is the Author of "Grey's Building Supervision."

Mr. J. Bentley Hawker was engaged for three years on the Architectural Staff of the Hong Kong Realty and Trust Company, Ltd., and after returning to England from Hong Kong in 1926, took up a post in the London architectural department of Messrs. Waring & Gillow, Ltd., remaining with them until last month when he left London en route for Hong Kong.

Mr. Hawker, in addition to his recent experience and studies in England received a good technical training and experience in London before his term of service in this Colony, and has therefore a knowledge of building works both at home and in Hong Kong.

Messrs. Grey and Hawker, with the consent of the clients concerned, will carry out the Architectural supervision of various works in hand in the Colony including the completion of the Peninsula Hotel and proposed new Telephone Exchange and Offices at Kowloon.

DENTIST LOSES A SLANDER CASE.

JUDGE HOLDS THAT A BANK WAS PRIVILEGED.

Mr. Justice Horridge held in the King's Bench Division on March 2nd that the occasion was privileged when he gave judgment for the National Provincial Bank, Ltd., with costs, in an action for alleged slander brought against them by Mr. Harold Sheppard, a dentist, of Rushley Green, Bedford.

It was stated that the slander, which was stated to have been uttered by Mr. Parkin, manager of the Fenchurch-street branch of the bank, to Mr. F. A. Sheppard, brother of Mr. Harold Sheppard, was in the following words, spoken, it was contended, at the entrance to the bank in Fenchurch-street:—

"Your brother has been seen by some one from the Hippodrome (meaning the Lewisham Hippodrome) opposite the surgery taking women of doubtful character to his business premises late at night."

Financial Help. Mr. Doughty, K.C., for Mr. Sheppard, said that his brother helped him financially, and they also set up a hairdressing business. It was when Mr. F. A. Sheppard visited the Fenchurch-street branch to pay arrears of rent for their premises that the alleged slander was uttered.

Mr. Harold Sheppard said that there was no foundation for the alleged slander.

Mr. Hurst, K.C., for the bank, contended that the occasion was privileged, and Mr. Justice Horridge agreed, as Mr. F. A. Sheppard was in partnership with his brother and was guaranteed in the bank.



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A serious fire broke out in the after hold of the J.C.J.L. steamer *Tjikembang*, lying in harbour, shortly after six o'clock on Saturday morning. The Hong Kong Fire Brigade were soon on board and but for their prompt arrival there would have been very serious damage to the ship. The first indications of fire were gathered from smoke issuing from the after hold. The alarm was immediately sent to the Fire Brigade and the usual signals hoisted.

The cause of the fire is thought to have been a lighted match or cigarette during the loading of the cargo by a coolie. The cargo stored in the after hold was sugar and flour. By the time the two fire floats arrived dense smoke was issuing from the hold and although smoke helmets were brought into use, the firemen were unable to get at the heart of the smouldering mass. It was later decided to flood the hold. Ten four inch deliveries were brought into play and the fire was then extinguished. A large quantity of the cargo has been destroyed and the damaged remains will have to be unloaded before the ship can sail.

The *Tjikembang* arrived here on the 23rd March from Batavia with a cargo of sugar and flour.

The vessel is commanded by Captain Schatzenburg and is owned by the Java-China-Japan-Lijn. She was built at the Kon Maits de Schelde Shipyards in 1914 and is registered in Batavia. Her dimensions are 493.8 feet long, 58.3 broad, and has a draft of 31.2 feet. Her gross tonnage is given at 8,013 tons.

She is now lying in mid-stream and is moored to the A27 buoy. No date has been given for her departure.

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A SWEDISH INVENTION.

Two Swedish engineers have invented and tested a new contrivance for the finding and lifting of sunken submarines. The invention consists of a float sent up from the submarine and rising to the surface, to which a line is attached. By means of this line a wire with a special coupling contrivance and lifting chain is sent down to the submarine and automatically attached to the hull, thus enabling the rescuing ship to lift it up to the surface.

CLYDE SHIPBUILDING.

A RECORD QUARTER.

[BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE.]

RUGBY, March 31st.
The Clyde shipbuilding yards have established a new record by producing 103,000 tons in the first quarter of this year. This is 20,000 tons better than the previous best quarter.

U.S. GOLD SHIPMENT.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

HAYES, March 31st.
\$12,000,000 of gold have arrived from New York.

THE QUININE TRUST.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, March 31st.
Ten corporations and thirteen individuals were indicted by the Federal Grand Jury in connection with the investigations by the Department of Justice into the so-called Quinine Trust.

CHINESE SOLDIERS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT.

HELPING THEMSELVES AT TIENTSIN.

COMPANY'S BELGIAN INSPECTORS ASSAULTED.

TIENTSIN, March 18th.

For months past soldiers of the different military organizations stationed in Tientsin have used electric light in their barracks without payment. Whenever a house or hotel is occupied by them they compel an unfortunate fitter to install electric circuits in the building and to connect the new installation to the nearest electric mains. Of course they do not ask permission from the Tientsin Tramways and Electric Light Company, and they refuse stubbornly to have meters installed on the premises. When an inspector of the Company calls and makes representations the soldiers have something in store for him, such as the point of a bayonet or the butt of a rifle.

The Company is losing something like \$10,000 per month, cost price, through these unlawful connections, which at present number 467. Provincial Authorities, every few weeks, through the Consul-General for Belgium, but up to the present nothing has been done by the Authorities to prevent the theft of electric current.

The climax was reached on the afternoon of March 16th when the head of the Lighting Department of the Company and three Belgian inspectors were attacked and badly beaten by a mob of about one hundred soldiers. The four foreigners were on a tour of inspection in Hopei when they found, in Kwei Wei Loo, a block of houses occupied by the soldiers of the General Superintendent's Department of the Military Haling Place, where about 40 connections had been made to the electric mains. They tried to disconnect, but the soldiers rushing from the houses caught them. Some soldiers held them while others were striking them on the face and on the body. One of the Belgian inspectors was severely flogged with ropes. An officer was a smiling onlooker. After a while the foreigners succeeded in making their escape, but only after the electric connections had been restored. —P. and T. Times.

U.S. STOCK MARKET.

TAPE MACHINE LEFT STANDING.

[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]

New York, March 31st.
There was another gala day on the Stock Market owing to the unexpectedly small increase in brokers' loans. Speculative securities again forged ahead in a startling manner. There was a huge turnover in Radio shares and General Motors closed at 138. The rest of the market was strong. Owing to the volume of business, the tape machine was forty minutes late at the close.

Saturday Record.

The Stock Market broke at Saturday trading records, over 2,500,000 shares changing hands. There was a bullish opening, followed by a swift reaction in which most of the early gains were wiped out and converted into losses.

Variations of one to nine points in Radio corporations strikingly illustrated fluctuations. A block of 100 shares passed at 139, and immediately afterwards 8,000 sold at 135, compared with 105, Friday night's closing price.

TWO FIGHTS WITH INTRUDER.

AT BAY WITH A POCKET KNIFE.

LONDON, March 31st.

At half-past three on Saturday afternoon Thomas Charles Douglas, a chauffeur employed by Mr. George S. Yeomans, of Rockmount, Gregory Boulevard, Nottingham, found a man in the kitchen of his employer's house. At first Douglas mistook him for a tradesman, but his suspicions were aroused by the hurried way in which the intruder left.

After a few minutes Douglas went in pursuit and overtook him. The man turned round and struck Douglas in the mouth, knocking out four teeth and loosening others. A struggle followed in which Douglas was nearly throttled and was also badly kicked.

The intruder got away, but Douglas went after him again, and when crossing some adjoining land the man threw a couple of bricks at Douglas and then attacked him with a pocket-knife. There was a second struggle, but finally the man got away by jumping over a wall. Later in the day the police arrested a man and he will be brought before the magistrates this morning.

CARRIED INTO COURT.

GROANING MAN ON A MATTRESS.

LIFTED TO LISTEN TO MURDER CHARGE.

Bude, Cornwall.

Wrapped in four blankets and lying inert on a mattress on the stone floor of a small, bare, white-washed room William John Maynard, aged 36, a rabbit trapper and farmer, of Poundstock, was charged with the murder of Mr. Richard Roadley, a wealthy recluse of Tison, near Bude.

The room, which is ordinarily used as the public office of the small police station, had been improvised as a police court, and for the purpose it was equipped with a plain trestle table and a low wooden form for the magistrates.

A door leading from the only cell the tiny station contains opened and policemen appeared carrying a mattress with Maynard covered from head to foot lying face downwards on it.

The moment the mattress was lowered the blankets among which Maynard was hidden were turned back to his shoulders and he was shifted on to his back. He gave a few convulsive kicks, and from then until the proceedings ended he groaned and moaned almost without cessation. Not once did his eyes open or even flicker.

Piercing Cries.

Dr. Harold Holtby, of Bude, came into the room and after taking the oath he said very quietly: "I have examined the prisoner within the last few minutes and I found him in a condition to appreciate these proceedings."

"Do you think he can clearly understand what is being done?" Police Superintendent Basher asked.

"Yes, I do," the doctor replied.

It was difficult to hear some of the few words Dr. Holtby said because of the piercing cries from the man on the mattress.

For a few moments the two local magistrates peered at the prostrate prisoner, whose head after some tossing and writhing had again become buried beneath the blankets.

Superintendent Basher (to the magistrates): Are you satisfied?

The Magistrate: Yes, proceed, please.

Head Lifted.

The clerk (Mr. Gurney), looking down at the huddled shape in the blankets, began to read the murder charge. As he did so two policemen raised Maynard's head and shoulders until he was face to face with the clerk. Again, on account of a series of long-drawn moans, it was almost impossible to hear the text of the charge.

The magistrates consented to an application by Superintendent Basher for a remand for a week. The police, he said, desired to make further investigations and to communicate with the Director of Public Prosecutions.

Maynard's mattress was then raised and he was carried back to the cell.

Still inert, he was placed in a motor-car and removed to Plymouth Gaol.

LONDON'S YOUNG WORKSHY.

STONE-BREAKING TASK FOR CASUALS AGAIN.

An effort is to be made to check the work-shy young men who are crowding the London casual wards.

At a meeting of the Metropolitan Asylums Board it was stated that the number of casuals had increased from 473 in 1923 to 1,231.

In a report explaining the reasons for the increase it is stated: "At most of the wards structural improvements have been made; opportunities for the inmates to do things for themselves, such as washing their clothes, mending their boots, have been greatly improved, the diet has been improved, magazines and newspapers have been provided, and the old tasks of a deterrent character have been for the time given up."

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On a visit to Belmont recently our chairman found the inmates quite settled and comfortable, well housed, well fed, with excellent provision for amusement and recreation. Some seemed to regard their visit as a holiday, and our chairman reported that unless steps could be taken to move on some of these young men they would settle down and become a permanent charge on the rates.

The real difficulty is that of the work-shy person, the real able-bodied loafer, who deliberately intends to exist without work at the expense of his industrious neighbour.

The tasks at present are wood-chopping, cleaning the premises, and equipment and cleaning the person. The time has come when, at any rate for a trial period, the task of stone-breaking will be resumed. We have, therefore, decided to set aside for three months one casual ward to which young able-bodied habitual vagrants can be sent, and given this task.



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JAVA-CHINA-JAPAN LIJN.

Hong Kong, 27th Mar., 1928. [6071]

HONG KONG METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

Hong Kong Observatory, April 1st.

	Previous Day	On Date	On Date
	Day	at 2 p.m.	at 2 p.m.
Barometer...	29.88	29.92	29.92
Temperature...	81°	62°	64°
Humidity...	94	97	98
Wind...			
Direction	East	ENE	ENE
Force	3	3	4
Weather	OD	OD	0
Rain	0.07	0.00	0.30

Highest open-air Temperature, 31st: 61°

Lowest open-air Temperature, 1st: 61°

B=Blue sky; C=Cloudy; D=Drizzle; F=Fog; L=Lightning; M=Mist; O=Overcast; P=Passing showers; Q=Squalls; R=Rain; T=Thunder.

HONG KONG TIDE TABLE.

From April 2nd to 8th, 1928.

		HIGH WATER.	LOW WATER.	
Day	Month	Time.	Time.	Height.
Mon.	2	9 0	4 9	1 8
Tues.	3	9 15	5 1	1 4
Wed.	4	9 31	5 16	1 0
Thurs.	5	9 48	5 30	0 6
Fri.	6	10 0	5 45	0 2
Sat.	7	10 15	6 0	0 0
Sun.	8	10 30	6 15	0 0

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

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MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & Co., Agents.

Hong Kong, 27th Mar., 1928. [6076]

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Hong Kong, 27th Mar., 1928. [6061]

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SHANGHAI	"CHINKIANG" On 4th Apr. 6 a.m.
SHANGHAI	"IOHANG" On 5th Apr. 8 a.m.
WUHAN, CHONGKING & SHANGHAI	"HUICHOW" On 5th Apr. 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & THINGTAN	"SINKIANG" On 7th Apr. 6 a.m.
AMOI, SHANGHAI, SINGAPORE & HONGKONG	"KWEITANG" On 8th Apr. 6 a.m.
SWATOW & HONGKONG	"KIANGSU" On 8th Apr. Noon
SWATOW, SHANGHAI, NEW CHINA & HONGKONG	"LIANGCHOW" On 8th Apr. Noon
AMOI, SHANGHAI & THINGTAN	"SZCHUEN" On 9th Apr. 6 p.m.
HONGKONG, PAKHOI & HONGKONG	"TEAN" On 12th Apr. Noon
AMOI, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	"ANHUI" On 15th Apr. 2 a.m.
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Shipping News

Arrivals and Departures, etc.

ARRIVALS.

March 30th.

Kwang Foh, Chinese str., 1,413 tons, Capt. F. Semmelmann, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B47—Sing Kee.

March 31st.

Debi Maru, Japanese str., 1,200 tons, Capt. K. Yugeta, from Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Stonecutters—O.S.K.

Devnourge, Chinese str., 1,022 tons, Capt. H. Ipland, from Bangkok and Kohsichang. The latter port she left on March 24th, with rice and meat, lying at buoy No. C37—Chau Yau Teng.

Eiger, Norwegian str., 573 tons, Capt. J. Hansen, from Whampoa, in ballast, lying at Stonecutters—Karsten, Larsen & Co.

Haiching, British str., 1,267 tons, Capt. O. H. Farrar, from Fochow, Amoy and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at Douglas Wharf—Douglas S.S. Co.

Hydrangea, British str., 591 tons, Capt. T. H. Ball, from Swatow, with 33 tons of general cargo, lying at Chin On Wharf—Chiu On S.S. Co.

Kotai Maru, Japanese str., 1,093 tons, Capt. K. Katsuyama, from Sakai, which port she left on March 26th, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B31—M.S.K.

Orje, Norwegian str., 1,101 tons, Capt. E. Kroger, from Bangkok and Kohsichang. The latter port she left on March 25th, with a cargo of rice, lying at buoy No. C19—Kwang Nguai Sang.

Seitan, British str., 1,571 tons, Capt. Alex. C. Inglis, from Hoilow, with general cargo and pigs, lying at buoy No. B21—Foo Nam S.S. Co.

Shantung, British str., 1,568 tons, Capt. W. T. Dodge, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B3—B. & S.

Sang Bo, French str., 730 tons, Capt. J. Bouamour, from Fort Bayard, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C39—M.M.

Singay, British str., 1,594 tons, Capt. Wm. Lumsden, from Shanghai via Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B36—B. & S.

Sunkong, Chinese str., 322 tons, Capt. Lai Kwong, from Kwong Chow Wan, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C14—Man Yick S.S. Co.

Tjengdun, Dutch str., 3,019 tons, Capt. P. Woide, from Keelung, which port she left on March 26th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A3—J.C.J.I.

April 1st.

Arafura, British str., 3,597 tons, Capt. A. S. Gordon, from Melbourne, which port she left on March 2nd, with wool and general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—Mackinnon, Mackenzie & Co.

Bkaland, Norwegian str., 1,213 tons, Capt. J. M. Zachariassen, from Hoilow, with a cargo of salt, lying at Stonecutters—Karsten, Larsen & Co.

Hang Sang, British str., 1,336 tons, Capt. R. J. J. Sneddon, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B32—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

President Madison, American str., 8,341 tons, from Shanghai, which port she left on March 30th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon Wharf—American Mail Line.

Venezia-L, Italian str., 4,816 tons, Capt. Ragusin, from Singapore, which port she left on March 20th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A8—Dodwell & Co.

Tai Shing, British str., 1,424 tons, Capt. A. Sinclair, from Fochow, Shanghai, and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at West Point—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

Yingchow, British str., 1,316 tons, Capt. A. H. Bathurst, from Canton, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C14—B. & S.

(Continued on next Column).

PASSENGERS.

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Per s.s. "Arafura", from Australia ports, on April 1st:—Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Edwards, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Bann, Mrs. K. J. Hall, Miss E. R. Uren, Mrs. A. L. Reeves, Miss M. A. Baldwin, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Stewart, Lieut. C. G. Little, Lieut. W. H. Martin, Miss A. M. D. Dinwoodie, Miss E. Rogerson, Miss S. Rogerson, Mrs. C. S. Murray, Miss J. Murray, Mr. H. J. Squire, Miss E. Hanson, Miss A. F. Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. R. P. Francis, Dr. and Mrs. Lipscomb, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Stone, Mrs. M. W. Turnbull and child, Mr. C. D. Wardle, Mrs. Wardle and three children, Mr. and Mrs. L. Abotey.

Per s.s. "Mantua", from Shanghai, on March 30th:—For Hong Kong: Mr. I. Beith, Mr. G. B. Cowell, Mr. C. Cheng, Miss N. Chase, Consul-General Crail, Mr. W. M. Collins, Mr. F. Gist, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Collins, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Collins, Mr. N. Mangharam, Miss M. Owen, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Raptis, and Mr. C. C. Yang.

Departures.

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WEEK-END FREIGHT RETURNS.

POOR CARGO RETURNS ON SATURDAY.

Although there are thirteen arrivals and eighteen departures during the period ending at 9 a.m. on Saturday morning the general cargoes for this port were very low. Through freights were even less.

General cargo for Hong Kong amounted to only 6,103 tons, and four British vessels contributed 1,533 tons. The Chinese steamer *Deunwongse* discharged 1,810 tons of rice from Bangkok, while the s.s. *West Calder* (American) had 1,321 tons of general cargo from San Francisco and Shanghai. Through freights were unusually low and totalled only 3,281 tons, of which only 331 tons were carried by three British vessels. The best carriers were American and Japanese vessels. The s.s. *West Calder* with 1,321 tons from San Francisco and Shanghai was the best carrier, and the *Nakano Maru* was second best with 1,350 tons from Buenos Aires.

"YESTERDAY'S FIGURES."

With thirteen arrivals and twenty-one departures for the period ending at 9 a.m. yesterday the general freights manifested for Hong Kong, although slightly higher than the previous day, remained very low. Through freights, also increased slightly but remained at a low figure. The total amount of general merchandise for this port was 8,272 tons and two British vessels contributed only 311 tons. The two best returns were shown by the s.s. *Koku Maru* with 4,000 tons of coal from Karaku and Sakai, and the s.s. *Orja* (Norwegian) with 2,300 tons of rice from Bangkok.

Through freights increased slightly and amounted to 7,453 tons, of which five British steamers carried 4,133 tons. The s.s. *Arafura* from Melbourne and Manila showed the best return with 2,978 tons of general cargo. The *Okeana* (Norwegian) was second best with 1,533 tons of salt from Heiboh.

Arrivals and Departures.

The arrivals and departures during the week-end were as follows:

	Arr.	Dep.
British	10	13
Japanese	3	8
Norwegian	3	1
Chinese	6	10
Dutch	2	2
French	1	3
German	1	1
American	1	1
Total	27	39

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The E. & A. s.s. *Arafura* will leave for Moji, Kobe and Yokohama at 4 p.m. this (Monday) afternoon.

The P. & O. s.s. *Macedonia* and *Nellore*, from Hong Kong, arrived at Marseilles on the morning of March 30th.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Canada* is due at Hong Kong on April 10th (Tuesday) at 6 a.m., and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon Wharf. She will sail for Manila at 5 p.m. the same day.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Australian-Oriental Line.

Change, April 8th.

Taiping, May 11th.

Bank Line.

City of Bombay, April 10th.

City of Eastbourne, April 11th.

City of Carlisle, April 14th.

City of Birmingham, May 4th.

City of New Castle, May 12th.

City of Chester, May 25th.

City of Tokyo, June 9th.

City of Cardiff, June 22nd.

City of Peking, July 7th.

City of Bedford, June 22nd.

San Line.

Benvenue, to-day.

Blue Funnel Line.

Patroclus, April 8th.

Proteus, April 10th.

Phenix, April 11th.

Agapenor, April 17th.

Laomedon, April 17th.

Knight Companion, April 22nd.

Orestes, April 22nd.

Diomedes, April 28th.

Talthybius, May 1st.

Antenor, May 3rd.

Meriones, May 9th.

Adriatus, May 18th.

Helenus, May 22nd.

Tracer, May 22nd.

Perseus, May 25th.

Pyrrhus, May 30th.

Hector, May 31st.

Rhesus, June 8th.

Mentor, June 10th.

Tyndarus, June 10th.

Dardanus, June 13th.

Antiochus, June 25th.

Atreus, June 27th.

Aeneas, July 2nd.

Thetis, July 25th.

Sarpedon, July 28th.

Elpenor, August 22nd.

British-India and Apcar Line.

Talamba, April 8th.

Santia, April 10th.

Haitapa, April 19th.

Takada, April 22nd.

Talma, May 1st.

Taklika, May 5th.

Tilawa, May 31st.

Canadian Pacific Line.

Empress of Canada, April 10th.

Dodwell & Co.

Calulu, April 7th.

Toledo, April 12th.

Reno, April 28th.

Kendall Castle, May 7th.

Dollar Steamship Line.

President Cleveland, to-day.

President Garfield, April 7th.

President Pierce, April 8th.

East Asiatic Co., Copenhagen.

Africa, April 5th.

Makaya, April 27th.

Danmark, May 25th.

Eastern and Australian Lines.

Tanda, May 7th.

Glen Line.

Glenara, April 8th.

Glenkil, April 15th.

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Glenbeg, May 11th.

Pembroke, May 25th.

Hamburg-America Line and

Hugo Stinnes Linie.

Emil Kirdorf, to-day.

Carl Legien, to-morrow.

Adolf von Baeyer, April 10th.

Preussen, April 18th.

Ermland, May 2nd.

Messageries Maritimes.

Chenonceau, April 10th.

Capt. Faure, April 24th.

Athos II, April 24th.

D'Aragnan, May 3th.

General Metzinger, May 22nd.

DAILY WATERFRONT NEWS.

VESSEL AGROUND.

[BY LONGSHOREMAN.]

The s.s. *Kong Ning* which arrived in Hong Kong on Saturday night also reports having gone aground for a short period on her voyage to Wuchow. Like the other river steamers reported, she also went aground on the Wangmoon Bar, but refloated with the tide. However, she had a free trip on her voyage down to Hong Kong.

Passengers from Australia, &c.

The *Arafura* arrived here yesterday from Australian ports with 21 deck passengers, of whom eight were for Hong Kong, and 111 Chinese deck passengers all for Hong Kong. Of these 40 were from Australian ports and 60 from Sandakan.

Asiatic Deck Passengers.

Asiatic deck passengers arriving in the Colony during the week-end numbered 1,950. Of these 1,308 arrived on Saturday and 445 arrived in the period ending 9 a.m. yesterday.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET.

	Sunrise	Sunset
To-day	6.15 a.m.	6.38 p.m.
To-morrow	6.14 "	6.39 "
Wednesday	6.13 "	6.39 "

Java-China-Japan Line.

Tjiondari, to-day.

Tjileboet, April 6th.

Tjimanoe, April 6th.

Tjikanang, April 12th.

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